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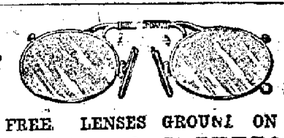
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, *Secretary.*
Hongkong, January 7, 1905. 12

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., *General Managers.*
Hongkong, January 9, 1905. 73

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 11.45 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 21st January, to MONDAY, the 30th January (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER, *Secretary.*
Hongkong, January 10, 1905. 78

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A. SHELTON HOOPER, *Secretary to the* HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED, *General Agents for the* WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LD.
Hongkong, January 10, 1905. 79

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 21st January to MONDAY, the 30th January (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER, *Secretary.*
Hongkong, January 10, 1905. 78

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE No. 32 for Ten Shares Nos. 366/375 standing in the Registor of this Company in the name of Captain ROBERT JONES has been LOST.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a New Certificate for the said Ten Shares will be issued fourteen days hence, and that the Original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD. Agents for the KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LD.
Hongkong, January 13, 1905. 101

A LING & CO.,
FURNITURE STORE,
AND
FOOCHOW LACQUERED WARE,
68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, September 3, 1904. 1627

Intimations.



Hongkong, January 12, 1905. 1376

To Let.

TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOM in Kowloon, with or without Board, Suitable for Married Couple or Two Bachelors, Tennis.
Apply to 'M.,'
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.
Hongkong, January 9, 1905. 72

TO LET.

NOS. 1, 2, 3 and 4, BARROW TERRACE, KOWLOON.
Apply to
SAM WANG & CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 2, 1904.

TO LET.—FURNISHED.

'LEWKNOR' MOUNT GOUGH, Peak, from the 15th March. Well Furnished. Less than 15 minutes from Plantation Road Tram Station.
Apply to
M. W. SLADE,
54, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, January 9, 1905. 37

HONGKONG CLUB.

TO LET.

A SUITE of 2 ROOMS, on the Ground-floor of the Annex, suitable for Offices.
For Particulars, apply to the Undersigned.
C. H. GRACE, *Secretary.*
Hongkong, June 2, 1904.

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIPON TERRACE.
A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.
FLATS in MOBETON TERRACE, facing the Polo Ground.
OFFICES, in Course of Erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near Blake Pier).
GODOWNS PRAYA EAST.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., LTD.
Hongkong, December 3, 1904. 7

TO LET.

2 NEW HOUSES, To Let, in CASTLE ROAD.
Apply to
SAM WANG & CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, October 22, 1904. 8

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, The Peak.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., LD.
Hongkong, March 26, 1904. 14

TO LET—FURNISHED.

LATE 'CHELTONDALE,' Mount Gough, Peak, from 1st April. Well Furnished. Less than 15 minutes' walk from the Tram.
Apply to
R. HANCOCK,
c/o. Shewan, Tomes & Co.
Hongkong, January 11, 1905. 84

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, NEW PRAYA, Kennedy Town.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, November 21, 1904. 11

TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOM with Board from 1st February, with Tennis Court, near Kowloon Ferry, Kowloon.
Apply 'C. T.,'
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.
Hongkong, January 13, 1905. 99

TO LET.

NO. 14, SALISBURY AVENUE, 5 ROOMED HOUSE.
THREE FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st August, 1905.
MODERATE RENTALS.
Apply to
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 8

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FOR SALE OR TO LET.

AT THE PEAK.

AN ELEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE, with Dressing, Drying, and Bathrooms; partly furnished; distant thirteen minutes by chair from the Tram; fitted with superior Baths and with hot and cold water; large Kitchen; Laundry and Servants' Quarters. Can be used as one dwelling or divided into two.
For particulars and terms,
Apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
Hongkong, December 27, 1904. 2311

FOR SALE.

A FIRST-CLASS BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT in Hongkong. Fully Furnished and doing good Business.
Splendid House, with every convenience, and having an excellent View of the Harbour. One minute's walk from Electric Cars. Well-known to, and patronised by, Americans. Suitable for Syndicate or Private Concern. Present Proprietor leaving for England shortly.
Apply by Letter to
'N. A.,'
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.
Hongkong, November 11, 1904. 13

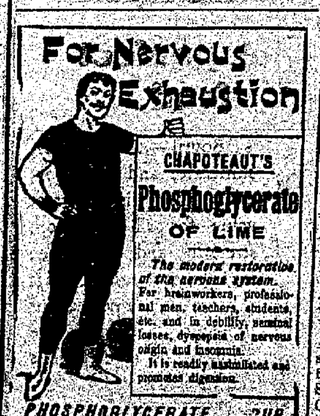
NOTICE.

MR AH WAH, of Messrs Che San Bros., of Yokohama, Bookbinders, etc., begs to inform the Public of Hongkong that he has opened a Branch in this Colony, at No. 16, Pottinger Street, under the style of CHE SAN BROTHERS, and is prepared to execute all kinds of GENERAL JOB PRINTING, RUBBER STAMP MAKING, COPPER-PLATE PRINTING AND ENGRAVING, STATIONERY, DRAFT FORMS and ACCOUNT BOOKS.
All Orders will be attended to and executed in the shortest time, and the Firm hopes to be favoured with the kind patronage of the Public.
Hongkong, December 5, 1904. 2191

SIEN TING,
Surgeon Dentist,
No. 14, D'AGUILAR STREET.
TERMS VERY MODERATE
Consultation Free.
Hongkong, April 24, 1900. 638

THE BEST GIFT
FOR THE WIFE
IS A
SINGER SEWING MACHINE.
Come and be convinced.
SHOWROOMS:
1, WYNDHAM STREET.
Hongkong, October 8, 1904. 1282

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FIRST-CLASS
Tailor and Outfitter.
30 YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN U.S.A.
UP-TO-DATE CUTTER.
PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.
FANCY GOODS DEALER
PRICES VERY LOW.
No. 98, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.
Hongkong, September 14, 1904. 1685



For Sale by A. S. Watson & Co. Chemists

THE YELLOW MINER.

How He is Housed.

Mr R. M. McAnderson, a visitor to South Africa, had an opportunity of seeing the lately imported Chinese at work, and of learning a great deal of interest about them. He ascertained that there were at the time of his visit about 11,000 Chinese on the fields; by the end of the year there will be 24,000. Altogether 60,000 have been 'ordered,' but the samples so far to hand are giving so much satisfaction that it is expected that ultimately over 200,000 will be employed. The first Chinese that arrived were from the southern parts of China. The others have all come from the Northern districts, and are stated by Mr Anderson to be an entirely different looking lot of men. 'They are fine, upstanding intelligent fellows, in height from 5ft. 8in. to 6ft. They most favorably impress one, and I should think will ultimately do the work that white men could do, and will probably be employed in all departments excepting the batteries and cyaniding plants, where the gold is. The Chinese are such expert thieves when they wish to thieve that white men will be employed there.'

The visitor had an opportunity of inspecting two big mines, one in the developmental stage and the other the Simmer-and-Jack, one of the largest there, which pays regular dividends on a capital of £6,000,000. On this mine 6,000 Chinese were employed, and very excellent arrangements have been made for accommodating the yellow men. Their wages are 1s per day to commence, with increments up to 2s per day towards the end of their three years' term of engagement. The mine supplies the rations in addition, and these are, according to Mr Anderson, on a very liberal scale. He remarked that there was a very general idea in England that these Chinese were badly housed and fed, and, in fact, were treated as slaves, but he found the opposite to be the case. 'In fact,' he said, 'these Chinese were infinitely better housed and fed than the majority of people in the poor districts of London.' The capital invested by the mines in these Chinese is large—in one mine alone, the capital expenditure is as much as £200,000. The buildings and compound, in this instance, cost £40,000. The return steamer fare for each Chinaman is £26. But with the immense capital at stake, an expenditure of even these dimensions is comparatively quite trifling.

'To give an idea of the character of the housing, I may mention that the Chinese (who are kept strictly to themselves) have large diningrooms, bedrooms, and bathrooms. These men are very cleanly; they are particularly fond of hot-water bathing, and every facility is given them to indulge this taste. A bath-room I saw was a sight. It was capable of holding hundreds at a time, and the Chinese avail themselves of it more than twice a day. The mine-owners have imported as police to look after the works smart fellows from Wei-hai-wei, who had served their five years as soldiers under British officers and instructors. They are well set up, and it is a treat to see their fine soldierly bearing. Special laws have been passed for the maintenance of order among the Chinese workers, and for certain offences the lash is the penalty; but I shall be very much surprised if the type of Chinese that I saw on the mines will ever submit to being whipped. Local provision has been made for the housing of Chinese women; but curiously enough, the Chinese women will not leave their their country. I understand arrangements are now in progress to bring over Japanese.'

BOO CHEONG,
STATIONER & PAPER MERCHANT,
No. 20, POTTINGER STREET.
HAS always on Hand every kind of Stationery, Paper for Office Use and Writing-paper, Copying Presses, Pencils of the Best Make, and Automatic Cyclostyle and Ellams Duplicator.
Hongkong, November 10, 1904. 2033

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No. 64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
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High-class Tailors & Outfitters, Shirt and Breeches Makers.
NOW SHOWING:—
NEW Lot of TWEED SUITINGS, TROUSERINGS and FANCY VESTINGS.
Also just [illegible] of English make, Brown Leather Cabin Trunks, Overland Trunks and Steel Trunks; Dressing Cases, Dress Cases and Fitted Gladstone Bags.
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INSPECTION INVITED.
Hongkong, November 24, 1904. 1429

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THE PREPARATIONS OF
Mrs ELLEN, SKIN SPECIALIST,
BRIGHTON, England, are unsurpassed for Creating, Restoring, and Preserving Beauty. Their application imparts to the Face, Neck and Arms a Delicate Softness, the Fresh Tints of Health and the Odour of Flowers. To preserve her beauty is the natural ambition of every woman of culture. The CREAM, POWDER and LOTIONS prepared by Mrs ELLEN herself are not only quite harmless, but being natural skin nutrients, are distinctly beneficial.
SOLE AGENTS,
A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.,
Hongkong Dispensary.
Hongkong, September 26, 1904. 1754

BRETEL FRÈRES' BUTTER — THE BEST IN THE WORLD
To be had in all respectable wholesale and retail provision Import Houses.

FREIGHT CIRCULAR.

In their Freight Circular, dated January 14, Messrs Lamke and Rogge report:—

The freight market during the past fortnight has remained in a firm position and, though the amount of business transacted is not very large, prospects continue fair with every promise of a good spring season. Taking into consideration the present limited outlet for tonnage, in consequence of the principal Northern ports being closed and the Southern rice markets not having opened yet, it cannot be denied that the rates paid for steamers, both tripwise and on time, are very good ones in comparison to former years, and with the season further advanced, a vast improvement on the present state of things is more than probable.

As to Saigon/Hongkong business, Chinese still content themselves with shipping small parcels by their own boats and the present meagre arrivals of new grain do not warrant taking up full steamers. Apart from that, the rice is too fresh to be fit for shipment and chartering will not be in full swing until well after the Chinese New Year, say in about a month from date. Closing quotation stands at 15 cents per picul.

Saigon for Java ports, no fresh business has been reported and as to Saigon/Japan, there have been enquiries for February-March delivery, without, however loading up to anything.

From Saigon to Philippines ports a couple of fixtures are on record at 32 cents per picul for Manila and 2 cents better for Cebu. A limited demand still continues to show itself, but it is difficult to get hold of the right kind of steamer and to fit in dates as required.

Bangkok business is at a complete standstill and, in fact, some of the regular liners might temporarily be had for other work. Owing to the approach of the Chinese New year, all the mills are gradually stopping work and there will be no rice for shipment until the latter end of February. However, as already mentioned in a former issue, quite an exceptionally large crop is expected and a fair amount of chartering is likely to come to pass later on.

From Java to this, there is but little doing and rates are unchanged and may be quoted 30 cents per picul wet sugar and proportionately less for dry sugar.

In the North, considering the season of the year, rates remain firm and advancing for whatever business there is, and future prospects are very encouraging. Rates from the Yangtze ports have ruled very steady and there is a continuous demand, filled to a large extent by local Co's boats at 27 cand., Wuhu Chinkiang to Canton, 26 cand. Wuhu to Swatow 30 cand. and Wuhu to Chefoo. Towards the end of the month a new duty will be raised, which for a time, may be detrimental to shipping.

Coal freights have weakened a bit lately. After a few fixtures in Japan at $2.25 per ton for this port, $2 per ton had to be accepted for prompt loading, but it is expected that rates will rally again before long. Moji/Shanghai, there is a good demand at $1.90 per ton, steamers being wanted for a series of trips. Japan/Singapore, the Market is weak at $2.30 per ton.

On time basis, a fair amount of chartering has taken place, both for local and Northern requirements and full rates have been granted. A good deal more tonnage is wanted but not easy to procure on account of the very high figures asked by owners.

BILIOUS FOR 25 YEARS!

BILE BEANS WORK A COMPLETE CURE.

TWENTY-five years mean a large part of a man's life. If you slept the whole of that time at a stretch you would naturally feel that you had wasted a great part of your existence, yet time spent in pain and suffering that unfits you for thinking and working is worse than wasted, and a great many lives are blighted in that way which might be made happy and useful by using Bile Beans as a cure and preventive of biliousness, liver complaint, indigestion, constipation, and various other complaints caused by disorder of the liver and digestive organs.

Mr W. H. Norish, a farm labourer, residing at Burraton, Stoke Climsland, Callington, Cornwall, suffered most severely for this length of time in consequence of frequent bilious attacks. He has now been made well and strong by using Bile Beans, and is entirely free from any trace of biliousness. To a 'Liskeard Weekly Mercury' reporter he recently disclosed the facts of his case and the manner of his wonderful restoration to health. He said—

'I have suffered from biliousness ever since I was a boy, and for 25 years I have not been in a really healthy condition. The attacks would commence with sick headache, accompanied in a short time with severe vomiting. These attacks succeeded each other at short intervals, and sometimes lasted five or six hours at a time. I consulted a club doctor at Callington, and he advised me to go to bed. He thought my case a serious one and hard to cure. Doctors' physic and various medicines which I obtained were of no avail. One day, however, I read of Bile Beans, and decided to try them. To my great surprise and joy soon I began to feel better. I could not expect to be relieved at once, as my case was a very bad one, but have only Bile Beans to thank.'

Bile Beans are superior to all known liver and stomach medicines. They are the product of the latest scientific research, contain no harmful animal or mineral matter, but are purely herbal from coating to kernel. They are mild yet effective and can be taken by the strong who are suffering from temporary disorders, or by those who are constitutionally weak. They are a splendid medicine for females.

Bile Beans are a certain cure for indigestion, debility, biliousness, constipation, piles, nervousness, anæmia, female ailments, weakness, dizziness, chills, neuralgia, pains in the back, sleeplessness, loss of appetite, liver complaint, headache, flatulence, pimples and skin eruptions. Obtainable from all chemists and medicine vendors, price 75 cents (Mex.) per bottle.

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Hongkong, August 1, 1904. 1413

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Milk

Guaranteed
Full Cream.



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Largest Sale in the World.

MAIL STEAMER DEPARTURES.

The following table is a chronologically arranged list of mail steamer sailings to Europe, America, Canada, and Australia. Coast ports, Manila, and Japan are not given, for steamers are constantly sailing for those ports. All the American steamers call at Japan, and the majority of the Australian boats call at Manila, and, in addition to those vessels, special steamers run there. The departure of every steamer is subject to alteration. The P. & O. mails usually reach London in about 28 days, and the French and German in about 28 or 30 days.

EUROPEAN MAIL.

Dep.	Steamer.	Destination.	Mail due London about.	Due.
Jan. 18	G. M. S. Roon	Bremen		Feb. 13
,, 24	M. M. Australien	Marseilles	Feb. 22	,, 28
,, 28	P. & O. Coromandel	London	,, 26	March 4
Feb. 1	G. M. S. Bayern	Hamburg		,, 14
,, 11	P. & O. Simla	London		,, 18
,, 15	G. M. S. Zieten	Bremen		,, 28
,, 25	P. & O. Chusan	London		April 1
March 1	G. M. S. Sachsen	Bremen		,, 11
,, 11	P. & O. Bengal	London		,, 15
,, 17	G. M. S. Prinzess Alice	Hamburg		,, 25
,, 25	P. & O. Nubia	London		,, 29

CANADIAN MAIL.

Dep.	Steamer.	Destination.	Due.
1905			1905
Jan. 25	C.P.R. Tartar	Vancouver.	Feb. 18
Feb. 8	do. Empress of India	do.	Mar. 1
March 8	do. Empress of Japan	do.	,, 29
,, 15	do. Athenian	do.	April 8
,, 29	do. Empress of China	do.	,, 19
April 19	do. Empress of India	do.	,, 10
,, 26	do. Tartar	do.	,, 20
May 10	do. Empress of Japan	do.	,, 31
,, 24	do. Athenian	do.	June 17

AMERICAN MAIL.

Dep.	Steamer.	Destination.	Due.
1905			1905
Jan. 24	P.M.S. Siberia	San Francisco	Feb. 21
Feb. 3	do. Mongolia	do.	March 3
,, 17	do. China	do.	,, 17
,, 28	do. Manchuria	do.	,, 28
March 11	O. & O. Doric	do.	April 8
,, 24	do. Korea	do.	,, 21
April 4	do. Coptic	do.	May 2

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

Dep.	Steamer.	Destination.	Due.
1905			1905
Jan. 20	C. N. Taiyuan	Sydney.	Feb. 12
,, 23	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	,, 15
Feb. 8	E. & A. Empire	do.	Mar. 1
,, 11	C. N. Tsinan	do.	,, 5
Mar. 6	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	,, 29
,, 8	E. & A. Eastern Australian	do.	April 26
April 5	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	May 10
,, 17	E. & A. Empire	do.	,, 24
May 3	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	June 21
,, 29			

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

on

SATURDAY,

the 21st January, 1905, at NOON, alongside the WARDLEY STREET WHARF,—

The Steam Launch
HOI PING,
Length 63 feet 6 inches,
Depth 7 feet 3 inches,
Breadth 12 feet 5 inches;
Compound Cylinder Engines and Boiler, Engine Room and Stokehold Implements, Two Anchors and One Chain, Sight Lights, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 14, 1905. 105

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction; at his SALES ROOMS, DUDDELL STREET,—
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED)

on

THURSDAY,

the 19th January, 1905,
A QUANTITY OF
ELECTRO PLATE WARE,
Comprising:—
SPOONS, FORKS, KNIVES, BUTTER DISHES, TOAST RACKS, SALAD BOWLS, SIDE DISHES, BISCUIT BOXES, SALT CELLARS, CRUETS, TANTALUS STANDS, BAROMETERS, &c., &c.;

on

SATURDAY,

the 21st January, 1905,
GUINNESS' STOUT, BASS' ALE, KUPFER and AMERICAN BEERS, WHISKY, GIN, OXFORD SAUSAGES, ASPARAGUS, SARDINES, SALMON, PICKLES, BUTTER, TOMATOES, TOMATO CATSUP, ROAST MUTTON, LUCCA OIL, JAMS, BEANS, CURRANTS, PRESERVED FRUITS, BISCUITS, &c., &c.;

on

TUESDAY,

the 24th January, 1905,
COTTON HOSE, RUBBER SHOES, CASHMERE SHIRTS, COUNTERPANES, CUPS and SAUCERS, TUMBLERS, IRON SAFES, CLAY PIPES, PERFUMERY, CANDLES, LEATHER PURSES, &c., &c.

Commencing each day at 11 A.M.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

For Further Particulars, apply to

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 111

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 23rd day of January, 1905, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Sale	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. S.	S.E.	E.	W. & S.W.	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rent. $	Upset Price. $
		ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
104	Inland Lot No. 1720, Adjoining Garden Lot No. 1 and Hollywood Road.	124	83	246	161	14,100	80	1,128

KWONG TY CHEONG,

LATE OF No. 47, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

CHINESE & JAPANESE CURIO DEALER.

PRICES VERY MODERATE.

8, D'AGUILAR STREET HONGKONG.

Hongkong, October 20, 1904. 1886

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA are prepared, during suspension of their Trans-Pacific Service and until further notice, to Book Cargo and issue Bills of Lading to SEATTLE, WASH., VICTORIA, B.C., and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, also to OVERLAND POINTS in the UNITED STATES and CANADA in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY from SEATTLE as hitherto, by the Steamers of the NORTHERN PACIFIC S.S. COY., BOSTON STEAMSHIP and TOWBOAT COYS. OCEAN S.S. COY. and CHINA MUTUAL S.N. COY.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1904. 3

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m....Every 30 minutes.
7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m....Every 10 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m....Every 15 minutes.
8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m....Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m....Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m....Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m....Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m....Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m....Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m....Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m....Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m....Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m....Every 15 minutes.
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m....Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m....Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m....Every 10 minutes.
11.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m....Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m....Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m....Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m....Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m....Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.

EXTRA cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Vœux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 30, 1904. 1051

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station

Name.	Class	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	3000	Comdr. Richard M. Harbord	Hongkong
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,350*	42	13,500	Captain Sydney R. Fremantle	Hongkong
Algerine	sloop	1050	6	1400	Commander R. Nugent	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O	Weihaiwei
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,500	Capt. R.N. Ommanney	Hongkong
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Com. O. M. Makins	Hongkong
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Fegen	Hongkong
Cressy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Singapore
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300		Hongkong
Espiègle	sloop	1070	10	2,400†	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Singapore
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	Lieut.-Comdr. Asser	Hongkong
Fearless	cruiser, 3rd class	1580	12	3200	Comdr. P. V. Lewes, D.S.O.	Singapore
*Glory	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Hon. Walter G. Stopford	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000		Weihaiwei
Hogue	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Shortland	Mirs Bay
Humber	storeship	1640	—	800	Lieut.-Comdr. F. M. Riadore	Hongkong
Iphigenia	cruiser, 3rd class	3600	17	9000	Captain W. B. Faulkner	Mirs Bay
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut.-Comdr A. Gregory	Weihaiwei
Kinsha	river gunboat	—	4	—	Lt.-Comdr. C. P. Metcalfe	Yangtsze
Leviathan	cruiser, 1st class	14,000	14	31,592	Captain F. G. Kirby	Singapore
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. F. B. Noble	Hongkong
†Ocean	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain T. G. Greet	Hongkong
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Reserve	Hongkong
Phœnix	sloop	1015	6	1400	Commander John Nicholas	Hongkong
Rambler	Surveying-vessel	835	6	650	Comdr. C. E. Mourc	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. R. E. Vaughan	West River
Rosario	sloop	980	6	1400	Comdr. Vivian	Singapore
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. H. T. Attay	West River
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Shanghai
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtsze
Talbot	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500	Lieut.-Comdr. Craufurd	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Commodore Dicken	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. E. V. Dugmore	Yangtsze
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3400	8	9000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Singapore
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	Lieut.-Comdr. R. H. Keate	Hongkong
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Capt. Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Vestal	sloop	980	6	1400	Comdr. S. St. John Farquhar,	Singapore
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Reserve	Hongkong
Watertwitch	surveying ship	620	—	450	Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	In Reserve	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. C. W. Wrightson	Upper Yangtsze
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. Wason	Upper Yangtsze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.

† Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C.B. C.M.G.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station

Name	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Aspern	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	2437	20	7300	Capt. Friedrich Grinzenberger	Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	28	8000	Captain Mirtl	Shanghai
Achéron	French armoured gunboat	1796	10	1700	Comdr. Laferriere	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	300	7	400	Lieut. A. Varney	Saigon
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Crespin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Lieut. Jourmet	Saigon
Avalanche	French gunboat	140	5	150		Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	580	6	400		Saigon
Bugeaud	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lefèvre	Saigon
Casse-tete	French gunboat	140	5	150		Haiphong
*Châteaurenault	French cruiser	8018	18	17,000	Captain V. Poidloue	Woosung
Comete	French gunboat	525	4	438	Commander Loual	Haiphong
Decidée	French gunboat	690	10	900	Commander L'East	Saigon
D'Assas	French cruiser	4000	31	9500		Saigon
Estoc	French gunboat	—	—	—		Haiphong
Froude	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Jehenne	Haiphong
Gueydon	French cruiser	9376	36	20,200		Shanghai
Henri Riviere	French gunboat	—	—	—		Haiphong
Javeline	French destroyer	307	7	300	Lieut.-Comdr. Beaussant	Haiphong
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Commander Le Gollen	Shanghai
†Montcalm	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Captain Cros	Haiphong
Mosquet	French torpedo-boat	350	7	300	Lieut. de Vean Prat	Haiphong
Olry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Hourst	Yangtsze
Pascal	French cruiser	4015	27	8500	Comdr. Sennes	Hongay
Pistolet	French torpedo-boat	350	7	300	Lieut. de Woerth	Haiphong
Redoutable	French cruiser	9437	8	6071		Saigon
Styx	French cruiser	1796	10	1700	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Sully	French cruiser	9856	—	20,000	Captain Guiberteau	Shanghai
Surprise	French gunboat	629	2	900	Lieut. Holgue	Shanghai
Takiang	French gunboat	—	—	—		Yangtse
Vauban	French cruiser	6150	23	4560	Captain Blondel	Along Bay
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Carol	Canton
Bussard	German cruiser	1857	15	2900	Comdr. Huss	
Fürst Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Prowe	Hongkong
Geier	German cruiser	1776	15	2960	Comdr. von Studnitz	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	6230	34	10,000	Capt. Weber	
Hertha	German cruiser	6500	37	10,000	Capt. Baron Schimmelmann	Singapore
Ultis	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hüllessem	Nanking
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Shanghai
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Kroencke	Hongkong
Möwe	German gunboat	1009	8	875	Comdr. von Grumbkow	Manila
Seeadler	German cruiser	1640	15	2800	Comdr. Persius	Shanghai
Thetis	German cruiser	2660	24	8000	Captain Voit	Shanghai
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Deimling	
Tsingtau	German gunboat	170	5	1300	Comdr. Giebber	Canton
Vorwarts	German gunboat	—	3	1500	Lieut. Scharf	Shanghai
Elba	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Borea Ricci	
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	3600	—	—	Captain Presbitero	Shanghai
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2498	29	7000	Capt. Pescetto	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1960	14	4000	Captain d'Antas Ribeiro	Hongkong
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Macao
Vasco de Gama	Portuguese cruiser	3215	20	6000	Capt. Manuel Vasco de Carvalho	Hongkong
Alcout	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostock
Amur	Russian cruiser	2800	8	4700	Comdr. Gramatchkoff	Port Arthur
Askold	Russian cruiser	6000	27	24,000	Capt. Reitzenschtein	Shanghai
Bayan	Russian cruiser	7900	10	16,500		Port Arthur
Bobre	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjeckovitch	
Bogatyr	Russian cruiser	6840	12	19,500		
Diana	Russian cruiser	6731	6	8000		Saigon
Djighit	Russian gunboat	1456	3	1700	Capt. Nasarowsky	Port Arthur
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	2	3500	Comdr. Youriff	Port Arthur
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagaransky	
Gromoboi	Russian cruiser	12,364	44	14,500	Captain Jessen	Vladivostock
Guiliak	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1900	Comdr. Shumoff	
Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Commander Crown	Shanghai
Novik	Russian cruiser	3000	6	17,000		Shangalek
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Vasiliaff	Port Arthur
Peresviet	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Captain Koroleff	
Petropavlovsk	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Jakovleff	
Pobeda	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Capt. Zatzarelenj	Damaged
Poltava	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Oseroff	Port Arthur
Rasboynick	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1786	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthur
Retvizan	Russian battleship	12,902	16	16,000		Port Arthur
Rossia	Russian protected cruiser	12,200	68	17,000	Captain Sapelrennipoff	Vladivostock
Rurik	Russian protected cruiser	10,923	26	13,250	Capt. Matusevich	
Sevastopol	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Serebrennikoff	Port Arthur
Silatch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Vsadnik	Russian gunboat	500	2	3300	Comdr. Zagorianaky-Kissel	Port Arthur
Zabiyaka	Russian cruiser	1230	15	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Albany	U. S. cruiser	3769	28	7500	Capt. Dyer	Cavite
Annapolis	U. S. gunboat	1000	12	1227	Capt. Rohrer	Shanghai
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. G. Williams	Manila
†Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4600	—	—	Capt. Sargeant	Hongkong
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Irwin	Manila
Callao	U. S. gunboat	238	10	800	Lieut. Dismukes	Hongkong
Chauncey	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. E. P. Jessop	Manila
Cincinnati	U. S. cruiser	3213	19	7500	Comdr. Hugo Osterhaus	Chefoo
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. H. E. Arnold	Manila
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. A. W. Knox	Manila
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	560	10	6000	Lt.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Comdr. P. E. Sawyer	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. J. B. Milton	Cavite
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	3437	20	7500	Commander G. B. Harbo	Manila
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,288	45	11,111	Captain Burwell	Shanghai
Pampanga	U. S. gunboat	241	3	250	Ensign J. E. Bass	Cavite
Paragua	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Capt. Bennett	Cavite
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4000	14	—	Capt. J. B. Collins	Manila
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	3213	18	7500	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
San Francisco	U. S. cruiser	4098	27	9913	Captain Very	Manila
Vicksburg	U. S. cruiser	1000	13	1118	Commander Marshall	Shanghai
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	347	3	500	Lieut. H. A. Wiley	
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1937	8	1894	Commander A. W. Dodd	Manila
Wisconsin	U. S. flagship	12,000	50	12,000	Captain Clover	Shanghai

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

11 a.m.—Auction Government Stores, at Army Ordnance Stores, Queen's Road East.

Meetings.

11 a.m.—Meeting of China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices.

Miscellaneous.

7.45 p.m.—Alleynian Dinner at Hongkong Hotel.

Goods per *Glenroy* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Denbighshire* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Lightning* undelivered after 2 p.m. on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, January 19:—

11 a.m.—Auction of Electro Plate Ware at Mr Geo. P. Lammert's Sales Rooms.

Goods per *Erwes' Simons* unclaimed after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

Good per *Siberia* undelivered by this date at noon will be landed.

SATURDAY, January 21:—

Noon—Auction of Steam Launch at the Wardley Street Wharf.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

Register of Shares of The West Point Building Co., Ltd., close from this date to 30th January inclusive.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1905.

SHIPPING.

IN these days of keen competition in shipping circles, when we find the foreigner coming in with subsidised vessels to exploit the markets opened up and developed by British commercial enterprise, the remarks of Mr W. F. G. Anderson, President of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom, will create considerable surprise. At the annual meeting of the Liverpool Shipbroker's Benevolent Society Mr Anderson referred to the subject, and whilst optimistically declaring that, in spite of shortcomings, the British shipping industry was pretty well able to hold its own with foreign competitors, remarked that he could not help thinking that it frequently suffered more from competition amongst its own supporters than from bounties and subsidies and Board of Trade restrictions all put together. This astonishing statement will be received with mixed feelings by those who have had to go out to distant ports to work up the commerce, and who have later on seen the vessels of other powers following up in the wake and contenting themselves with little or no cargo in order to work up a competitive connection. This has been done in every direction where British traders have gone, and gradually the octopus-like tentacles of bonus-fed foreign shipping have stretched out and secured a firm hold upon every mentionable market. This has been possible solely because the bonus system has paid for lack of cargo, and because British shipping is handicapped by Board of Trade regulations which do not bear upon foreign shipping at all. The foreign merchantmen are not to blame for receiving bonuses or for entering into competition wherever they can find an opportunity. The high seas do not yet belong to Britishers, and neither do the markets of the world. Consequently it would ill-become us to raise any objection to the methods employed by the foreigners, so long as they are above-board, of conducting their trade. The competition is, from the British point-of-view, unfair, and it is unfair simply because the shippers are compelled to fight the battle themselves and must secure sufficient cargo to pay for their steamers, or run at a dead loss, or close down altogether. The British Government has been slow to realise the danger in which her mercantile marine is daily being placed, and its persistent refusal to tackle the bonus or the tariff question with a view to placing the shipping under the Union Jack upon a more equal footing with that flying other flags is but accentuating the trouble. Since other Governments have introduced the bonus system British shipping has been dealt a severe blow, and nowhere is that more noticeable than here in the East. This is more pronounced in the cargo trade than in the passenger-carrying traffic, though most steamers conduct both in conjunction. So far as passengers are concerned, however, comfort and convenience are the determining factors, and it is a shipping company's own fault if it allows a competitor to rob it of the patronage which it at one time enjoyed. A man who travels nowadays wants the maximum of comfort, and he generally goes to the company that can provide it, irrespective of nationality. Patriotism weighs extremely light in his scale, and fares being equal, he will prefer to pay a foreign firm his money for good accommodation than give it to a British institution whose ships only cater indifferently for the traveller. Enterprise and up-to-dateness are the qualities necessary to stay a decline in passenger patronage, and unless special interest is taken in the people on board all the bonuses in the world will not make a line of steamers popular. In cargo-carrying it is different. Comfort is not desired for bales and bundles, and the firm who can carry merchandise at the lowest cost generally scores. The ship with a bonus can consequently afford to lower the price, or run with less cargo than the vessel without a bonus, and it is here that the Britisher finds the unfairness. America is looking to her shipping interests, and will give a bonus to keep the flag flying. Great Britain should do the same, and do it before it is too late, or adopt the proposals of Mr Chamberlain as soon as possible. There are many things to be said against the bonus system, and many things are being said against retaliatory and preferential tariffs. One or the other will have to be adopted soon, and since of two evils it is always well to choose the lesser, the nation should prepare itself to accept the tariff revision designed by the ex-Colonial Secretary. Mr Anderson's remarks mentioned above do not appeal to us very strongly, though he struck a nail on the head when he referred to the great difficulty the shipping community had in securing the attention of the House of Commons. For that he blames the Board of Trade, asserting that it did not possess the status which the department which dealt with the trade and commerce of Great Britain ought to have. It was, be said, treated as a subordinate, instead of which it should occupy a position second to none of the Government Departments of the State. These remarks will be generally agreed with throughout the shipping world, and when the time comes that the eye of the Commons can be more easily caught by the shippers we will probably see some change in the present undesirable condition of affairs. If the shippers desire to show that they are in earnest let them move seriously to remodel the body which is supposed to be the medium between them and the Administration.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Messrs Caldbeck, Macgregor and Co. send us an striking and unique calendar from the Aquarius Company.

Messrs Melchers and Company, as agents for the Royal Insurance Company, send us a highly-coloured Chinese calendar for 1905 the dates on which are in Chinese.

Off to Macao.

H.A.-H. M. S. KAISERIN ELISABETH left for Macao to-day. Mr and Mrs N. Post, (Consul for Austro-Hungary) were passengers on board, and they will not be back for about ten days.

Service Football.

The draw for the first round of the Football Shield competition held in connection with the Soldiers' Club Challenge Shield is as follows:—Royal Artillery v. Naval Yard; H.M.S. VENGEANCE v. H.M.S. ALBION; Staff Departments and Royal Engineers, a bye; West Kents, a bye. The first and last-mentioned meet in the semi-final and the second and third also meet in the next round.

Entertainment at Kowloon.

The usual weekly entertainment was given last evening at the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon, and was again highly successful. The entertainment was provided by the members of the Kowloon Institute Variety Troupe which was recently formed under the presidency of the popular chaplain of the Institute, the Rev. J. H. France. The programme was a varied one and consisted of an amusing sketch entitled 'Actor and Singer,' contributed by Messrs. Woods, Jackson, Ward and Manning, songs and instrumental items, all of which, together with the corner men's jokes, were much enjoyed.

Football.

At Happy Valley yesterday the officers of H. M. S. ALBION defeated the Hongkong Football Club in an Association match by three goals to one. The Club were two men short, but one substitute was secured to play back. C. Humphreys played in goal for the Club and acquitted himself well. The ALBION team had the better of matters in the opening stages of the first spell, but as often as they broke through they were beaten back. The attacks were made in spirited style and ultimately a goal was scored. The Club equalised off a corner kick, Williams scoring the goal. The ALBION team made a much better show in the second half, and the Club players looked like third-raters. The backs of the Club played sound football, however, but that did not prevent the ALBION men from scoring two more goals. The Club with a full team would make a good fight of it with the officers of the ALBION, but with a forward absent and a substitute playing back they could hardly be expected to win.

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LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

General Stoessel Going Home.

General Stoessel, late Commander in Chief of the Post Arthur army, is believed to be a passenger by the next French Mail steamer from the North on his way to Russia.

Committed for Trial.

After we went to press yesterday afternoon, Pagsin, the Filipino from the TREMONT, was committed for trial, at the next Criminal Sessions, for the murder of a ricksha coolie at West Point on January 6.

Service Cricket.

The Royal Artillery will play the Staff Departments and Royal Engineers on January 19; the West Kents have a bye, and will play the winners of the first match on January 26. These matches are in connection with the Soldiers' Club Challenge Shield.

The Hongkong Volunteer Reserve.

Colour Sergeant Bullock will deliver a lecture on Musketry to the members of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association at the City Hall on Wednesday afternoon at 5.15. On January 21, 1.30 to 5 p.m. and on February 6, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. the King's Park Range will be open for practice.

The South China Directory.

We have received from the *South China Morning Post, Ltd.*, one of their office combined directories, date-block and blotting pad. The directory is on the left hand side of the blotting pad, whilst the date block is on the right. Both are well printed, and should be of great use to the busy business man. The price is $3.

Major Nathan at Government House.

Major W. S. Nathan was a passenger by the German Mail steamer ROON which arrived in port last night, from Shanghai. While in Hongkong Major Nathan will be the guest of his brother, Sir Matthew Nathan, at Government House. Major Nathan hold a special post in connection with the Chinese Mining and Engineering Company.

New Enterprise.

A department store, we understand, is to be added to the list of our commercial enterprises. The Company has already been formed with local capital and large premises have been secured in a most central position in Queen's Road. There will be dressmaking and tailoring departments, which are to be replete in every particular, and, in fact, the establishment promises to contain everything first-class that is necessary. It is hoped to bring about a revolution in the dressing of residents.

Mr T. D. McKay.

Mr T. D. McKay, the popular general passenger agent, connected with the Pacific Mail S.S. Co., the Occidental and Oriental S.S. Co., the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, the Southern Pacific Co., the Union Pacific Railway Co., Chicago and North-Western Railway, and Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway, is again in Hongkong. Mr McKay is looking as hale and hearty as ever, and anyone intending to book across America should interview him. He can give all sorts of good advice.

Wedding at the Wesleyan Church.

At the Wesleyan Church last Wednesday the wedding of Mr C. Makeham to Miss Radcliffe took place, the Rev. W. Bridie performing the ceremony. Mr J. J. Bullen gave the bride away, and Mr White acted as best man. The bride was becomingly attired in a grey dress, with white hat and flowers, while the bridesmaids, Misses Lily Bullen and Magdalene Cuthbert, were dressed in white silk, trimmed with forget-me-nots. After the wedding a reception was held at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Arsenal Street, where a large number of the friends of the happy couple were assembled. Café Weismann presented Mr and Mrs Makeham with a wedding cake weighing 70 pounds.

Hankow-Canton Railway.

Viceroy Chang Chih-tung and Sheng Kung-pao have wired Sir Chengtung Liang-Cheng, the Chinese Minister at Washington, asking him to publish the reason, why payment had been stopped by the Imperial Chinese Railway Administration to the American China Development Company, in the newspapers in the U.S. However Sir Shengtung has not done so yet. It is also reported that Mr Pierpont Morgan has bought back all the bonds numbering 1,200 held by the Belgians and the U.S. government now maintains that the cancellation of the original concession should not be agreed to. Sir Chengtung's idea is that the original agreement will be revised and that there is no benefit in cancelling the original agreement.—*The Universal Gazette.*

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DEMONSTRATIONS IN RUSSIA.

CHIEF-OF-POLICE RELIEVED.

Kuropatkin to Appoint a Successor.

LONDON, January 16.

It was announced on Saturday that M. Trepoff, Chief-of-Police at Moscow, had been relieved of his position.

The post has been placed at the disposal of General Kuropatkin.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER TREPOFF.

Student Fires Three Shots.

LONDON, January 16.

A deliberate attempt on the life of ex-Chief of Police Trepoff was made in Moscow on Saturday evening (January 14).

The ex-official was present at the farwelling of Grand Duke Sergius at Moscow railway station when a student drew a revolver and fired three shots at him.

None of the bullets took effect, however.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

SCENE IN THE FRENCH CHAMBER.

LONDON, January 15.

A disorderly debate has taken place in the French Chamber; M. Combes vigorously repudiated a charge of sowing dissension among the Republicans by anti-clerical persecution. The Chamber passed a vote of confidence in the Ministry by 289 to 279. The Cabinet is expected to resign on account of the smallness of the majority.

HONGKONG REGATTA.

Entries for the Junior Fours.

Mr E. R. Hallifax, Hon. secretary for the Hongkong Regatta, forwards us the following entries which have been received for the Junior Fours race in the forthcoming regatta:—

1. Bow. G. F. Story; 2. A. J. V. Ribeiro; 3. H. W. Paxton, R. A.; Str. L. A. Musso.

2. Bow. J. Cruickshank; 2. C. E. A. Hance; 3. H. Johanhorr; Str. F. C. Barlow.

3. Bow. J. Jordan; 2. H. Seth; 3. A. T. Walker; Str. T. E. Pearce.

4. Bow A. J. Darby; 2. A. V. Barros; 3. W. M. Stewart; Str. S. Gidley.

Strokes will arrange with their respective crews as to boats and practice. Owing to the scarcity of strokes it has been found impracticable to make use of the whole of the entries received.

GENERAL NEWS.

The War Office have decided not to proceed with the issue of the projected publication, *The Army Journal of the British Empire*. The magazine was to have appeared on January 1, but it is considered that the work of its production would take up too much of the valuable time of the officers concerned.

Austro-Hungary and the Porte.

Early in December we published a special telegram to the effect that Austro-Hungary had sent an ultimatum to the Porte. The Mail brings news that the Porte has complied with the demands of Austria-Hungary in regard to the interference with the Austro-Hungarian post at Scutari. The Director and Secretary-General of the Customs at Scutari have been dismissed, and the commander of the gendarmerie called to account. It has been arranged that in future the distribution of the Austro-Hungarian mails and postal packages at Scutari will be effected by armed cavasses from the Austro-Hungarian Consulate.

London Unemployed.

The London Trades Council organised a meeting of the unemployed, which was held at Trafalgar-square on December 18. Violent speeches were delivered, and resolutions were adopted asking the authorities to provide useful work, and urging the Government to summon a special session of Parliament to pass a measure to extend the powers of the local authorities. The committee formed under the scheme outlined by Mr Long, President of the Local Government Board, for providing relief for the unemployed in London, has registered over 14,000 names. Many men who are offered relief work demand trade union wages, and refuse 4s a day. The committee appeals to sympathise with the demand. The first batch granted relief has been sent to the labour colony of the Salvation Army, at Hadleigh. The committee pays 10s. 6d. per week per man, and gives to wives remaining at home 10s. a week, and a small allowance for each child.

STEARNS' WINE, strengthens the resistence to disease of the lungs and air passages. It soothes and heals.

RELIEF AFTER SIX YEARS.—Mrs M. A. Clark, of Timberry Range, N. S. W., Australia, writes: 'I wish to inform you of the wonderful benefit I have received from your valuable medicines. I suffered from a severe cough for six years and obtained no relief until I took Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. One bottle cured me and I am thankful to say that I have never had the cough since. Make any use of this letter that you like for the good of any other poor sufferers. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

BY TELEGRAPH.

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

TSAR AND PORT ARTHUR.

LONDON, January 15.

The Tsar has issued an order to the Army and Navy announcing the fall of Port Arthur. He eulogizes the glorious garrison, whose heroism Russia has witnessed with pride. Peace be to the ashes of the dead and glory to the living. Our enemy is bold and strong and the struggle at such a distance is indescribably hard, but Russia is powerful, and has undergone harder trials always emerging more powerful. While lamenting our losses we must not become distracted. With all Russia I trust the hour of victory will soon dawn and I pray God to bless the troops and the fleet to enable them to uphold the glory of Russia.'

JAPANESE AT BORNEO.

The *Novoe-Vremya* publishes a telegram from Java stating that the Japanese have established a base at Labuan, and that the cable has ceased working in order to conceal the fact.

MORE TROUBLE AT CANTON.

Soldiers Fire on Rioters.

The Chinese who have for some time been squatting, rent free, on the river bank opposite the Shameen, Canton, and who recently refused to move, though paid compensation to do so by the owner of the land, who desires to carry out reclamation work, have again been in trouble. When they first refused to move, a Chinese guard of soldiers was sent down and the elders were arrested and placed in prison, where they are at present. Still the people would not go off and the owner of the land has been at his wits' end to know what to do with them. However he has allowed them to stay on whilst doing the initial work, and intended not to interfere with them until he wanted to undertake the actual reclamation work.

Yesterday, however, the crowd precipitated affairs. They made a demonstration against the workmen driving the piles to mark the bund and the result was the Chinese guard, who have, with two armed junks, been on the place for some time in anticipation of trouble, were called into action. They threatened to fire on the mob, but threats did not daunt the angry people, and the result was the soldiers opened fire and shot three men, wounding them, whilst another was thrown into the water.

By the evening the trouble subsided, but there is bound to be a recurrence unless the people are shifted right off the property. Mr W. Danby, M.I.C.E., is the engineer in charge of the work which constitutes reclamation and the construction of a bund about 3500 feet in length. When completed this will be a great improvement to Canton.

CRIME IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

A Great Improvement.

As showing to what steps some classes of the Chinese community will resort in order to have the necessary money to celebrate their New Year, and incidentally to settle their accounts, the recent robberies that have been reported to the police bear testimony. In years gone by this period invariably brought round a large crop of violent deeds with it and when the police had no power to interfere with robbers in the New Territory, gang and highway outrages were of almost daily occurrence. The older members of the police and detective force are able to tell many stirring tales of the bands of robbers who then held almost undisputed sway in the New Territory, and of the many tussles the police had with them after the Territory came under British rule.

Contrasting those times with the present a great improvement is evident, gang robberies are practically unknown, few having occurred for some years past, while armed robberies are becoming very much less frequent, and when attempts are made are not nearly as often successful as in days gone by.

An unsuccessful attempt at robbery is reported to have been made at Sheung Shui on January 14, when a party of six were held up by armed men. The members of the party were unarmed but scurried safely in flight and the man who reported the matter to the police made good his escape, while the other five, not having reported any loss, are believed to have been equally lucky. The robbers evidently thwart police pursuit lost no time in making off, and the police consider that if they can manage to keep them quiet for the rest of the time between now and the New Year there will be little to fear from them.

The diminution of crime in the New Territory is no doubt due to the fact that the police are yearly becoming more familiar with the area under their control and with the ways of the people.

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WRONGFUL DISMISSAL.

A Captain's Claim Sustained.

Captain Andrew Casey, Master Mariner, East Street, Kowloon, sued the Wing On Steamboat Company at the Supreme Court this morning, before His Lordship Sir H. S. Berkeley, Chief Justice, who was sitting in the Summary Jurisdiction, in place of His Honour Mr T. Sercombe Smith, who is still ill, for $600 and costs, being damages for wrongful dismissal.

Mr F. X. D'Almada e Castro appeared for the plaintiff, while defendants were represented by Mr P. W. Goldring (of Mr G. K. Hall Brutton's office).

Mr D'Almada e Castro stated that plaintiff brought the s.s. CHINKONG, belonging to the defendant company, over from Manila in July last year. He was appointed Captain of the steamer, which was to be employed on the West River. His salary was at the rate of $200 per month and on those terms he took over the ship on August 1, 1904. On November 30 he received a letter from the defendant company intimating that his services were no longer required. He called on the manager of the company and asked the reason of his being summarily dismissed. The answer he received was 'Well, one of the owner's friends wants to go as Captain.' Plaintiff thereupon handed over the ship. He was afterwards asked to go for another trip on the steamer as certain of the ship's papers were at Kongmoon. He declined to go, as he had already been dismissed.

His Lordship—Was the employment in writing.

Mr D'Almada—No, verbally. It was an indefinite hiring.

His Lordship—There was nothing said as to the terms of the employment.

Mr D'Almada—No, my Lord.

Captain Casey gave evidence supporting the facts as outlined. He added that when the manager asked him to take a trip after he had been dismissed he refused and the manager offered him $50 and later on $100, still he refused. He demanded three months' salary or three months' notice.

His Lordship—Is that an established custom?

Mr Goldring—I believe it is. We do not dispute that.

His Lordship—An employer was not bound to give his reasons, if he had good reasons, but if brought before the Court he must do so.

Mr Goldring asked for the books in a previous action against Captain Casey to be produced, which were produced. The action was one for $167.80 but judgment was given only for $69. The case was that the defendant (Capt. Casey) obtained from the 'boy' in charge of the bar on board the ship a quantity of liquor, including 228 glasses of whisky, 30 glasses of gin, and liquid refreshments, all of which was consumed between October 1 and 23.

Captain Casey admitted that he had the liquor, which was drunk by himself and 16 passengers.

His Lordship—Do you wish to suggest that he consumed all the whiskey?

Mr Goldring—Yes.

His Lordship—What number of passengers do you carry.

Captain Casey—Sixteen, ten and eleven. The liquor is for more than one trip.

Mr Goldring submitted that he had it in evidence that the passengers when they required drinks paid for them or signed chits.

His Lordship—How many trips does the account refer to?

Captain Casey—Nine.

His Lordship—Are you privileged to provide drinks for passengers?

Captain Casey—Yes.

Mr Goldring—You ordered 228 glasses of whisky; when the passengers order drinks they sign for them or pay cash?

Captain Casey—Yes.

His Lordship—What did you get the liquor for?

Captain Casey—To treat passengers and Custom officials.

Mr Goldring—The Chief Engineer had a book, the Captain had a book, and the passengers had to pay cash or sign a chit.

His Lordship—Did the Chief Engineer have a book and treat the passengers?

Captain Casey—Yes.

His Lordship—How many custom officials are there?

Captain Casey—Three or four at Kongmoon, generally two or three came on board, and the same number at Samshui. To the passengers you have to add this number.

Mr Goldring—Do you deny the manager of the Company warned you not to drink so much?

Captain Casey—Yes, he told me not to spend so much money on Custom officials.

His Lordship—Was the money spent out of your own pocket?

Captain Casey—Yes.

Mr Goldring—On the occasion of the collision with the PAKTONG were you sober?

Captain Casey—Yes. The collision occurred in a typhoon. The PAKTONG was lying beside the wharf and I struck her trying to get in.

Mr Goldring—Do you remember the collision with the Chinese torpedo boat at Kongmoon? Were you then sober?

Captain Casey—Yes. I was drifting with the tide and when I saw the torpedo boat I took the helm from the pilot and went full speed astern. There was practically no damage done to the vessels.

Mr Goldring—Did you not refuse to pay any attention to the pilot when he called your attention to the torpedo boat?

Captain Casey—The pilot did not call my attention to the boat; I took the helm from him.

Mr Goldring—How many times did you run into the wharf?

Captain Casey—I never fouled a wharf.

Mr D'Almada—At the time of the collision with the torpedo boat did you take the helm out of the pilot's hands?

Captain Casey—Yes. Had I not done so a serious collision would have occurred.

The manager of the defendant company gave evidence to the effect that plaintiff was dismissed for coming into collisions with vessels, for drinking and having the smell of drink about him. In consequence of a report which he received concerning Captain Casey he told plaintiff that if it happened again he would dismiss him. After that he received several reports. The plaintiff told him that there were a number of passengers going up on his boat and asked permission to take one free, which was granted. A number of passengers went up, the men paid but the ladies did not. The Captain had no right to take any more than one person free. Although he had never seen Captain Casey drunk, yet sometimes he had noticed a strong smell of drink about him, and he had seen him going with weak steps and strong smell. He told plaintiff that it was not proper, but plaintiff replied that there was nothing to fear as long as he did not get drunk.

After other evidence was given Mr Goldring applied for a remand in order to produce a European witness, but His Lordship refused to grant an adjournment.

His Lordship held that the defendants had failed to establish any reasonable grounds for the summary dismissal of Captain Casey. It was a cruel thing to so dismiss a man without assigning any cause and so allowing people to impute anything damaging to character. He did not see any reason why the Company should have taken the course it did, but was inclined to believe with Captain Casey that the true reason was that which Captain Casey swore the manager gave him, that was, that one of the owners had a friend who wanted the position. It was a thing that had been done before. He returned a judgment for plaintiff with costs.

HONGKONG HOCKEY CHALLENGE CUP.

The draw for the first round in the Hongkong Hockey Challenge Cup is as follows:—

1. H.M.S. ALBION, a bye; 2. Hongkong Hockey Club v. H. M. S. HOGUE; 3. 92rd Burmas I. v. 110th Mahrattas; 4. 114th Mahrattas II. v. H.M.S. GLORY; 5. 88th Co. R. G. A. v. Royal West Kent Regiment; 6. 114th Mahrattas I. v. H. M. S. OCEAN; 7. 92rd Burmas. II. a bye; 8. H.M.S. CENTURION a bye.

Second round. (A) H.M.S. ALBION v. Winner of 1; (B) Winner of 3 v. Winner of 4, (C) Winner of 5 v. Winner of 6; and (D) 92rd Burma II v. H.M.S. CENTURION. Semi-final Winner of (A) v. Winner of (B); Winner of (C, v. Winner of (D). First round to be completed by 28 January; Second by 8th February; Semi-final 13th February; Final 16th February.

THE CHINESE MINISTER FOR TIBET.

At Present in Hongkong.

His Excellency Tsang Shai Ye is a passenger by the steamer ANPING which arrived in port this morning from Shanghai flying the Viceroy's flag. This gentlemen is the Chinese Ambassador to Tibet and is at present on his way there. He travelled attended by his A. D. C. On arrival he paid a visit to His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan, arriving at Government House a little before noon, and later in the day the call was returned by the Governor.

A FATAL ACCIDENT IN THE HARBOUR.

Chief Officer of the 'Pak Kong' Drowned.

As one of the Yaumatiferry launches was drawing up to her wharf on the Hongkong side a little before 10 o'clock last night the the coxswain discovered a European, whom he described as swimming in the water, close to the wharf. With the aid of some of the Chinese on board he at once went to the rescue and soon succeeded in getting the man out of the water, and, placing him on the Praya, made an effort to resuscitate him. This proved unsuccessful. A water policeman and Inspector Collett, who happened to come up at the time, then took charge of the body and went through the life saving motions for upwards of an hour, but, although the body was warm at the time, they were unable to restore animation and, the ambulance having arrived, the dead man was conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital where life was pronounced to be extinct.

Investigations made by the police showed that the body was that of Thomas Crowther Angwin Greenland, Chief Officer of the West River steamer PAK KONG, which is in port at present. The deceased was a man of about 50 years of age and was well known along the coast. How he met his death there is nothing to show, but apparently in walking along the wharf to regain his steamer he, by some means, fell into the water. On the body being examined by the police the face was found to be cut, and blood was found on a handkerchief in the man's pocket, as if he had been using it to wipe the blood off before he fell into the water.

SMALLPOX FROM THE NORTH.

Ships Quarantined.

Smallpox is at present very prevalent in the North, according to ships coming into port from Northern ports. The German Mail steamer ROON which arrived in the harbour at about 8 o'clock last night reported having one case on board when she entered the harbour, the man affected being a Dutch steerage passenger. She took up an anchorage in Kowloon Bay last night, and on being examined by the Doctor was sent to quarantine at the South side of Stonecutters' Island, after which the patient was removed to the hospital ship HYGEIA. The ship will be throughly cleansed and fumigated before she continues her voyage. The first and second class passengers were allowed to land but the third class passengers were detained on board the ship. The passenger who contracted the disease was taken on board at Shanghai. Messrs Melchers and Company, the local agents, are at present unable to say how long the ROON will be detained pending further information from the Health Officers.

The China Merchants steamer TAISHUN, from Shanghai, last evening, was also found to have smallpox on board amongst the Chinese passengers and was at once quarantined. After being fumigated the mails and livestock was allowed to be landed but the passengers were detained on board. The patients, three in number, were also removed to the hospital ship.

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THE PRISONS OF CHINA.

(Translated for the CHINA MAIL.)

A movement seems to be on foot to inquire into the terrible prison abuses in China which are a disgrace to any people, who make any claim to elementary civilisation. It has been well known to foreigners for a long time, that Chinese prisoners are very badly treated. It was suspected, moreover, that the local warders and police were responsible for a large share of it. The present article is a very terrible indictment against them, and is from the pen of a Chinese editor, who may be supposed to know what he is writing about. It is a hopeful sign when a Chinese is willing to expose the abuses thus, and, further, it is a sign of the times. We suspect that ten years ago the publication of such a paper would have landed the editor in prison, and he would have had an opportunity to taste and see what he had been describing.

An imperial order has recently been issued ordering an investigation into the condition of the provincial and prefectural prisons. The high official of our province have therefore issued the necessary commands to those under them. It is confidently stated that the criminals, in our prisons, have been and are badly treated. Quickly therefore should this crying abuse be rectified. Prisoners who are found guilty should be punished and those who are found innocent should be released. Nothing should interfere with this inquiry. This will be an act of kindness to the people generally and one of merciful intention even to those who are incarcerated. If this order is carried out, the people will again live in hope, as men rejoice when thick clouds are scattered and they again behold the blue sky.

Chinese prisons have many abuses which have accumulated and increased through long years. We need not say that we have no intelligent and honest officials, who wish to understand these abuses and rectify them. Many of these horrors, however, are never brought to the attention and the ears of the high mandarins, and therefore they are not seriously attacked and rectified. When we attempt to distinguish one prisoner from another this is easily done. When their crimes are brought to light, simply try the men, and, if guilty, then punish them. Let those who accuse them be forthcoming. Let them be publicly examined. Let there be no hiding of evidence. If when they are examined their crime is found to be serious, it may not be easy to decide at once. Although there may be witnesses and evidence these may be unreliable. Such cases should be postponed a little, till the facts and evidence can be disentangled and put straight.

The police and warders extort bribes and torture the prisoners. Even after the prisoner has been tried and condemned this abuse remains. Only those who are released escape these terrible sufferings. Others must remain and endure. It is not a good arrangement but the high officials of this country do not publish the law. The upper classes and the masses are very widely severed from one another. On this account it may certainly be assumed that the mandarins do not know of the anxieties of the people, nor what they must face in prison. If one has not personally passed through the experience, one cannot fully understand it nor explain it. Moreover, as this matter does not touch the personal interests of the average man, he will certainly shrink from coming into personal contact with the present condition of affairs. Supposing that the facts are known to two or three, they but raise a sigh and perhaps rage. Men are unwilling to speak. Therefore the abuses of our prisons continue from day to day and indeed accumulate and increase. There appears to be no salvation.

We have first of all to reckon with the police and the warders. They naturally desire to repress the fierceness of the prisoners. They have, therefore, managed a long list of abuses and make many demands. They thrash and they pound in a way which one dares not put into print. When a prisoner is received into prison, both warders and police search him thoroughly, and remove and appropriate both his money and his clothes for themselves. If he wishes to buy anything he has no funds; if he wishes to protect himself from the cold he has no clothes. This is the first abuse.

Those who have been brought to a first informal examination, are compelled at once to write to their relatives and friends, and ask them to forward money to the warders. At the same time a date is fixed. He is then robbed again of as much as he was compelled to promise to get from his friends. If these two conditions are not immediately fulfilled, then in the middle of the night, assisted by the older prisoners (prisoners of over twenty years experience have certain privileges, and among them apparently is that of robbing new-comers) who also share the money, they procure a long rope, at one end of which the manacled hands of the prisoner are tied. The other end is then pushed through a ring in the roof of the ward. With their united strength they, all together, then hoist up the prisoner, so that he hangs from the beam by his hands in mid-air. They then jerk him up and down and pull him to and fro, till the pain must be excruciating and indescribable. If the wretched man attempts to shout ever so little, they fill his mouth and throat with ashes, so that not the least sound can escape him. When his breath is almost gone and he is choking, he is unbound. Every year the prisoners who die of hunger and cold, or of disease which these induce, amounts to about fifty per cent of the whole number. Of those who have been hung up and flogged many more die. The warders themselves control the lives and deaths of the prisoners. They have coined a proverb which they repeat: 'If the grain is not crushed, the oil cannot be possibly squeezed out; if the blister is not painful the silver will remain hidden.' This is the second abuse.

When the warders do not hoist up the prisoners and flog them they ill-treated them and worry them, and, from morning to night they give them but one bowl of coarse rice which they mix with sand or coarse husks. It may be given boiling hot or sloppy. But the stuff cannot be swallowed. This is the third abuse.

Sometimes, for a day and a night, the prisoners are made to lie or stand in the latrines. They are not allowed to speak to their comrades in misfortune. They are not granted a breath of fresh air. Nor do they get a step of exercise till they give backsheesh to the warders. They receive but one bowl of wretched soup or rice. Those who object are abused and thrashed till the disgrace and the pain become unendurable. This is the fourth abuse.

Each day the officials allow a quantum of rice for each prisoner. Originally it is sufficient for a man's needs. There is no help for it. Each prisoner is plundered by the police and the warders. If the prisoners bribe the warders when they enter prison, they are only mulcted to the amount of about twenty per cent. If they have not done so, they are robbed to the tune of fifty per cent, so that a man does not receive enough for one satisfying meal per day. The warders despise the laws of our country. They secretly absorb the allowance of the officials. They snatch away the lives of others to fill their own stomachs. Are there any human feelings in such men? In many of the prefectural prisons the officials do not provide food for the men. Therefore those who have been incarcerated therein suffer even more than in the central prisons. This is the fifth abuse.

All day and all night gambling goes on. Of all winnings the warders demand one fifth. The old prisoners also claim one tenth. The warders also lend the prisoners money to induce them to gamble. For all moneys thus lent an unconscionable interest is demanded. If the prisoners cannot manage to pay the money back on the day arranged, or at least promise, they are starved till the money is forthcoming. They are not allowed to leave the prison to get the money from their friends to pay these gambling debts. Each day they are thrashed twice and tied up to the beam till they pay the last cent. They appear, after a course of this treatment, like a roasted chicken. They are ready to pick up fish bones and melon skins, from the ground, on which to feed. Suppose that one, who has been flogged, should inform his relatives outside, who perchance would inquire of the warders why their relative was beaten so unmercifully? the reply would be the man has been guilty of insubordination. Nothing will be said about his debts. When the reply is given, that the prisoner has made himself obnoxious, there is nothing further that can be done. This is the sixth abuse.

When a prisoner is sent to prison, he is, in China, naturally put in chains. But the jailors and warders make this necessity as severe as possible. If the prisoners are unable or decline to pay money to the warders and old prisoners, the irons and manacles are piled on till the pain is almost unbearable. This is the seventh abuse.

Among the female prisoners there are sometimes young and good-looking women. The warders try to get them for concubines. They will give money to the police. They will ask the old prisoners to a feast, that they may not reveal anything. Should anyone chance to object, he will be thrashed with fists and even stones. If the woman in question objects, she is tied up, till she consents. Sometimes such women are not incarcerated in the main prison, but in a different ward, whereupon the warders will, by means of bribes, get them transferred to their own department. This is the eighth abuse.

If the warders know that the Weiyun is coming to visit the prison and suspects that any prisoners will reveal some of their malpractices, they will threaten to ill-treat them without mercy. Thus no one will venture to breathe a word and the officia sent to inquire into the state of affairs will get no inkling of the truth. This is the ninth abuse.

The warders dread lest the prisoners should write and tell their friends of their sufferings. Therefore the former open all letters. The prisoners are only allowed to write of their needs, and sickness, and appeal that help be sent quickly lest they die. Nothing else is allowed to pass the warders. Should relatives visit prisoners, fears are still cherished lest the latter should tell their friends what ought to be kept secret, and therefore old prisoners are always present at the interview, so that the prisoners and their friends cannot converse in private. This is the tenth abuse.

Thus the warders threaten those who have bribed them and those who have not bribed them. They further threaten that they will shut the door against the relatives, should their personal grievance be aired. This is the eleventh abuse.

Among the officials there are some who forbid the warders from taking money from the prisoners. But this only leads to more cruelty. The warders scoff at the prisoners, and ask them why they should trust in the officials who are so far away, whilst they, the warders, are so near? This is the twelfth abuse.

When the police and warders and the old prisoners divide their ill-gotten gains they then look closely to discover if there is any hope of more. They cultivate the friendship of the strongest criminals and invite them to a feast. Should any of these appear reluctant, they then ask the remaining few who are fierce as wolves, and they thrash the remainder into compliance. This band then treat all the others most unmercifully. This is the thirteenth abuse.

Certainly it is the police and the warders who force this gang to act so cruelly, in order to mulct the remainder. Thus the warders have this strong gang at their heels, and they are powerful enough for anything they wish to accomplish, and no one dares to utter a word of complaint. This is the fourteenth abuse.

The editor says, all that I have written is true though the cruelties may vary a little in the prefectural prisons. I am, he says, a native of Nam Mo. Some years ago my clan quarrelled with a neighbouring clan. Many were arrested and taken to the gaol. After the officials had examined into the matter the guilty ones were flung into prison. I myself am quite familiar with that whereof I write.

If the reader will assume that I am not exaggerating, I will further refer to our own native prefectural prison—that of the Nam Hoi. The warders force the prisoners to give money when they enter. From a rich man, as much as a thousand dollars are mulcted. The very poor must give at least ten taels. In addition to all this six dollars must be given to the police for protection. The prisoner may then escape having to eat rice mixed with sand. Further he must bribe all the inside warders just the same.

The prisoners each receive from the officials a daily dole of nine cash. If the prisoners have not already bribed the warders, the old prisoners take from each, seven of these, so that only two remains for his own food. Prisoners who have already bribed the warders must further arrange a big feast and invite the warders and the old prisoners. At the close of the feast, a small percentage of the money won at gambling, is shared among those who gave the feast. If the warders have already been bribed, at each of the three important Chinese festivals, each prisoner must pay two dollars to the police, and one to each of the warders. If on the feast day, this money is not forthcoming, the warders will close the prison doors against the relatives and friends of those who have failed in this particular. No further visitors will be allowed in till the money has been paid. In addition to all this most of these lock-ups are under the control of the local police. If a substantial well-to-do prisoner be imprisoned therein, the warders will have him transferred to some other place, that they may mulct him perhaps for one night only, and they will return him in the morning. He must once more bribe the warders. This is one of the special abuses of the local police stations. The doors of the local lock-ups, too, are closed against the relatives of prisoners till a heavy bribe has been paid. Moreover in these local stations the warders sometimes call in blind singing girls and even prostitutes and there is no length to which they will not go. In describing one place we have described all. Recently there was a rumour afloat that all the prefectural prisons were to be placed under the absolute control of a District Police Master. This will but accentuate the abuses. If the prefect does not know what is being done, how much less can a local Police Master. Now, the yamen runners and the police will, in their passionate eagerness, be like wolves and tigers. These Police Masters are unimportant officials. They will not themselves visit the prisons but will commit the duty to others, who will be in league with those in charge. How can such officials arrest or even coerce the yamen runners? There is but one way to correct and remove these terrible wrongs. The edict has been promulgated. But only the united efforts of the officials and people can wipe out the abuses. Alas! the officials are far removed above the people, and there is little or no mutual sympathy. If the Weiyuns, who may be sent out to examine into the actual state of affairs, will themselves personally investigate, if they will look up at the beam and see the rings hanging there, if they themselves will handle the fetters, if they will themselves taste the cold rice which is provided for the prisoners, then something may come out of the investigation.

The countries of the west treat their prisoners mercifully. The difference between them and us is very great. Indeed it is wide as that between heaven and earth. Therefore foreigners will not submit to our laws when they come to reside in our treaty ports, and they look on us with a contemptuous look.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

The transport LISCUM, recently returned from Zamboanga, has been detailed for service as cable-laying and repair ship for the Philippines, says the Manila *Cablenews*. She takes the place of the INGALLS which was set aside for that service but proved too small for the purpose. The LISCUM will leave in a few days for Hongkong where she will undergo several important changes in the construction of her bows which will be suited for cable laying and repairs. This work will take about six weeks to accomplish.

An examination for Chinese pilots was held at the Harbour Master's Office this morning when three candidates presented themselves. Of these two failed to satisfy the examiners that they were possessed of the knowledge necessary to pilot steamers into the harbour the successful applicant being Wong Tai whose name has accordingly been registered as a licensed pilot. There are now twelve pilots licensed and as that is the number that it was at first desired to obtain it is probable that no further examinations will be held for the present. At the examination held yesterday, three were successful, viz., Messrs W. S. Burrows, B. S. Lawlor and Wong Tai Heo.

The British steamer HEATHBANK which arrived at Manila last Wednesday, with a cargo of coal from Cardiff, and whose appearance has excited considerable speculation, departed on the 12th for Shanghai, says the *Cablenews*. The appearance of several steamers with the finest quality of Cardiff coal in their holds at this port lately, bound presumably to Hongkong or Shanghai, in conjunction with the presence of Japanese cruisers, opens a wide field of conjecture. These vessels are mostly of British registry, and in view of the Anglo-Japanese alliance there are not wanting those who declare the destination of the coal is in the bunkers of the cruisers, whilst others maintain that Vladivostock is the real destination. One guess is as good as another for the captains of these boats are dumb as oysters concerning their unloading place except to asseverate that they are simply common carriers.

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OLD ALLEYNIAN DINNER.

THE above ANNUAL DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th instant, at 7.45 P.M.

The Undersigned will receive the names of any Old Alleynians who may wish to attend.

J. P. JORDAN,
Victoria Buildings.
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 120

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE DINNER.

THE ANNUAL OXFORD and CAMBRIDGE DINNER will be held on FRIDAY, the 27th JANUARY, 1905, at 8 p.m. in the Hongkong Hotel. All Oxford and Cambridge men intending to be present, and who have received no previous notice, are requested to send in their names to one of the Secretaries:—

C. D. MELBOURNE, Magistracy.
Rev. F. IOELY, R.N. } Joint Secretaries.
H.M.S. Tamar.

Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 125

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAICHING, Captain HOGGINS, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 21st Inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 123

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship SIBERIA,

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered by THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at Noon, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 117

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 116

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

Stonecutters', on Wednesday, the 25th instant, commencing at 10.30 a.m., in the direction of Chueng Hue, at a range of 4,500 yards.

Kowloon West, on Friday, the 27th instant, commencing at 9.30 a.m., in the direction of Lan Tau, at a range of 10,000 yards.

Pak-sha-Wan (Night firing), on Monday, the 30th instant, at 7 p.m., towards the entrance to Junk Bay, at ranges from 000 to 4,000 yards.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, Practice will take place on the following day, except that for 30th instant, which will be cancelled.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the range.

L. BARNES-LAWRENCE,
Captain, R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.
Harbour Department,
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 122

ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

A MEETING will be held in the CITY HALL, on MONDAY next, 23rd January, 1905, at 5 P.M., to consider the question of the Advisability of giving a ST. GEORGE'S BALL at the end of February.

His Honour the CHIEF JUSTICE has kindly consented to preside.

All Englishmen taking an interest in the matter are invited to attend.

Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 124

Entertainments.

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H. WEISMANN,
Manager.
Hongkong, December 17, 1904. 1034

To-day's Advertisements

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship LIGHTNING, Captain J. G. SPENCE, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 24th Inst, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
D. SASSOON & Co., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 119

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship PUNDUA, Captain THOMSON, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 25th inst., at Daylight.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 118

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE named :—

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP DIRECT, Via S'PORE, P'ANG, CL'BO, PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES	*Palawan*, J. D. ANDREWS, R.N.R.	About 18th January.	Freight and Passage.
Y'HAMA, VIA S'HAI, MOJI AND KOBE (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)	*Formosa*, B. H. W. SNOW	About 24th January.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	*Coromandel*, G. M. MONTFORD, R.N.R.	Noon, 28th January.	*See Special Advertisement*
SHANGHAI	*Chusan*, H. W. KENRICK, R.N.R.	About 28th January.	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 26

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Hongkong, January 11, 1905 PEDDER STREET. 4

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ARABIA	4483	BAHLE	Feb. 13, 1905.
ARAGONIA	5196	SCHULDT	Mar. 6, 1905.
NICOMEDIA	4370	WAGNER	Mar. 31, 1905.

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
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TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*M. STRUVE*, Capt. T. BRANDT,	SUNDAY, 22nd Jan., at Daylight.
TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*FRITHJOF*, Capt. H. A. HARALDSEN,	SATURDAY, 29th Jan., at Daylight.

ON account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new Steamers have been requisitioned for Transport Service, and the above-named charterop Steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's Coastal Services. As soon as the state of Affairs permit the Company will resume running with its specially designed new Steamers.

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T. ARIMA, *Manager.*
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TYDEUS	24th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PAKLING	25th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PROMETHEUS	31st January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	STENTOR	6th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PATROCLUS	14th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	21st February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ANTENOR	25th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	OCPACK	27th February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL 1905.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	HECTOR	19th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HYSON	22nd January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PRIAM	31st January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	14th February.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	AJAX	20th February.
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	HUNAN †	18th January.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	TSINAN	19th January.
SHANGHAI	TIENTSIN †	19th January.
MANILA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBURNE	TAIYUAN * ‡	23rd January.
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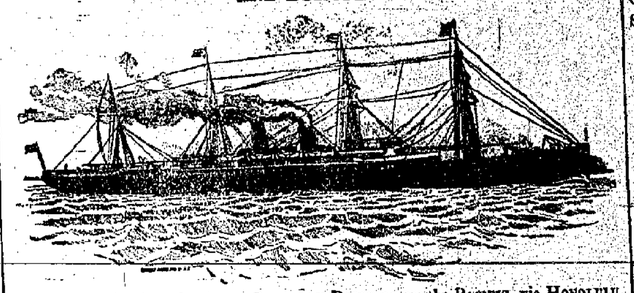
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MONGOLIA	13,639	,,	FRIDAY, 3rd February, at Noon.
CHINA	5,060	,,	FRIDAY, 17th February, at Noon.
MANCHURIA	13,639	,,	TUESDAY, 28th February, at Noon.
DORIC	4,784	,,	SATURDAY, 11th March, at Noon.
KOREA	11,276	,,	FRIDAY, 24th March, 1905, at Noon.
COPTIC	4,552	,,	TUESDAY, 4th April, at Noon.

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SPECIAL RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

For further Information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.
Hongkong, January 13, 1905. 21

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship AUSTRALIEN, Captain VERRON, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 24th January, 1905, at 1 P.M.

Passage Tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next Sailings will be as follows :—
S.S. ERNEST-SIMONS ..February 7, 1905.
S.S. POLYNESIEN.....February 21, 1905.

L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, January 11, 1905. 85

FOR NEW YORK.

With Liberty to call at the MALABAR COAST.

THE Steamship SENECA, will Sail for New York from Hongkong on or about SUNDAY, the 29th January.

For Freight and further information, apply to
STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department.
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 2235

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME and TRIESTE Direct, Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

(Taking cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship CHINA, Captain TOMANOVICH, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 28th Inst., p.m.

For information as to Passage & Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents,
Prince's Building.
Hongkong, January 4, 1905. 44

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship EMPIRE, Captain HELMS, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 8th February, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 11, 1905. 87

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship PERSIA, Captain CRAGLIETTO, will leave for the above places on MONDAY, 23rd Inst., p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SANDER, WIELER, & CO.,
Agents,
Princes' Building.
Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 115

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND SEATTLE, WASH. VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Co's Steamship IYO MARU, Captain S. J. G. PARSONS, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 27th January, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.
Hongkong, January 5, 1905. 43

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *COROMANDEL*, Capt. G.M. MONTFORD, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 28th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's s.s. *India* 7,911 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. *Caledonia*, due in London on the 11th March, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 110

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE new Twin Screw Steel Steamer *KWONG CHOW*, 1,309 tons....Captain J. P. MARTIN.
KWONG TUNG, 1,238 tons.....Captain H. W. WALKER.

Leave HONGKONG for CANTON at 5 Every Evening (Saturday excepted).
Leave CANTON for HONGKONG about 5.30 o'clock Every Evening (Sunday excepted).

These fine new Steamers have unexcelled accommodation for First Class Passengers and are lit throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare—Single Journey...$4.00
Meals.....$1.00 each.

The Company's Wharf is a short distance West of the Harbour Master's Office.

SHIU ON S.S. CO., LTD.,
AND
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, November 3, 1904. 31

Shipping.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL,

With Liberty to Call at MALABAR CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

STEAMERS.	To SAIL.	1905.
GHAZEE	About	Jan. 25.
SATSUMA	About	Feb. 10.

For Freight and further information, Apply to
DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 14, 1905. 110

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL,
With Liberty to call at the MALABAR COAST.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

S.S. *RAS ISSA*	About 30th Jan., 1905.

For Freight and further information, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, January 7, 1907. 1970

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Lightning*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 2 p.m. of the 18th Instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON, & Co., Ld.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 16, 1905. 109

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, HAMBURG, AND LONDON.

THE Steamship DENBIGHSHIRE, Captain W. A. EVANS, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., at KOWLOON and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th Inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th Inst., at 2.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 12, 1905. 97

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER *SIMLA*.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings Cargo :—
From LONDON, &c., ex s.s. *Britannia*.
From CALCUTTA, ex s.s. *Borneo*.
From PERSIAN GULF, ex s.s. B. I. S. N. and B. and P. S. N. Co's. steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 21st Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, January 14, 1905. 108

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"CLEY" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO', LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship *Glenroy*, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 18th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the Damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

MCGREGOR BROS. & COW.
Hongkong, January 17, 1905. 89

Intimations.

MIYAKO HOTEL,
KYOTO, JAPAN.

A NEW AND STRICTLY FIRST-CLASS HOTEL.

DELIGHTFULLY Situated. Decorated and Appointed with Latest Approvements. Home-like and Comfortable. Clean and Quiet.

BEAUTIFUL VIEWS, AND WALKS.

EXCELLENT CUISINE AND EFFICIENT ATTENDANCE. MODERATE TARIFF.

TELEPHONE: Nos. 421 AND 338.

December 5, 1904. 2181

OSAKA HOTEL,
NAKANOSHIMA PARK,
OSAKA, JAPAN.

(TELEPHONE: No. 713, HIGASHI).

THIS HOTEL, which faces the River on Three Sides, is the only one in OSAKA Catering for Foreigners.

ALL UP-TO-DATE COMFORTS AND EXCELLENT CUISINE.

R. EARI, *Manager.*

December 5, 1904. 2182

LAXATINE.
THE NEW IDEAL PURGATIVE.
FOR ALL LIVER, KIDNEY AND HEMORRHOID TROUBLES.

RECOMMENDED BY THE WORLDS' FINEST PHYSICIANS.

LAXATINE is the mildest aperient known. It is pleasant in taste, not drastic but certain in action and even in large doses is harmless. Laxatine being non-irritable will be found a great boon, to ladies especially, and in cases where the kidneys are irritable or diseased. Laxatine is strongly recommended by the Continental Authorities and is being largely used in the London hospitals. Messrs A. S. WATSON & Co. Ld., have been appointed the Hongkong Agents for this preparation.

Hongkong, December 8, 1904. 2211

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER *ERNEST SIMONS.*

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from LONDON ex s.s. *Danube*; from HAVRE ex s.s. *Danube*; from BORDEAUX ex s.s. *Cambrae, Ville de Lorient* and *Ville de Valenciennc*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the HONGKONG KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 3 P.M. TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 19th January, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 19th January, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on THURSDAY, the 19th January, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 12, 1905. 33

Intimations.

WING FAT,
IMPORTER and EXPORTER
AND
SILK MERCHANT.

JEWELLERY DEALER AND GOLD AND SILVERSMITH.

HAS always on hand a Specially Selected Assortment of every kind and pattern of Chinese Manufactured SILKS, CURIOS, IVORY WARES, and best quality of China Grass Cloth and Chinese Embroideries.

Also
Best kind of Manila Cigars.

Inspection is cordially Solicited. Prices very Low.

No. 66, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Next Door to Chinese Club.

Hongkong, November 1, 1904. 1965

SING ON & CO.,

Nos. 35 & 37, HING LOONG STREET.

IRON, STEEL, METAL AND HARDWARE MERCHANTS.

Retail and Wholesale Ironmongers, Pig Iron and Foundry Coke Importers, and General Storekeepers. PRICES MODERATE.

Hongkong, December 14, 1904. 2249

TRY OUR FRESH XMAS CAKES.

MADE from the Best of Ingredients and Pure Fresh
AUSTRALIAN BUTTER
in 1lb, 2lb, 3lb, and of other sizes made to order by giving previous notice.

Yearly increasing sale is the sufficient guarantee of their superiority.

All Orders will be carefully attended to.

H. RUTTONJEE,

No. 5, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong.
37 & 38, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, December 19, 1904. 1437

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1903, £16,895,550.

I—Authorised Capital	£3,000,000	
Subscribed Capital	£2,750,000	
Paid-up Capital	£687,500	0 0
II—Fire Funds	3,056,961	12 3
III—Life & Annuity Funds	13,154,188	16 7
	£16,898,650	8 10
Revenue Fire Branch ...	1,935,128	0 0
" Life & Annuity Branches.....	1,615,755	11 9
	£3,550,883	11 9

The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and Life Departments are free from liability in respect of each other.

Hongkong, June 18, 1904. 1537

FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE CO.
OF
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

STATEMENT TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903.

ASSETS, GOLD.....$5,853,820.37
NET SURPLUS, GOLD.....$2,156,118.80
INCOME, GOLD $3,470,787.53

FIRE BRANCH.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Fire Risks at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Hongkong, March 23, 1904. 562

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO AND LONDON.

INCORPORATED A.D. 1851.

MARINE BRANCH.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above are prepared to accept Risks at Current Rates.

ALEX. ROSS & CO.

Hongkong, April 28, 1904. 1412

MARTIN'S
APIOL & STEEL PILLS
for Ladies.

A French Remedy for all Irregularities. Thousands of Ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house, so that on the first sign of any low state of the System a timely dose may be administered. Those who use them recommend them, hence their ever increasing sale. All Chemists sell them, or post free for 54 Stamps from Sole Agents—MARTIN, SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND.

SECOND EDITION.

HISTORY OF THE CHURCHES OF INDIA, BURMA, SIAM, THE MALAY PENINSULA, CAMBODIA, ANNAM, THIBET, COREA AND JAPAN,
Entrusted to the SOCIETY of the 'MISSION ETRANGERES.'

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PRICE ONE DOLLAR.

FOR SALE at The 'CHINA MAIL' OFFICE, 5, Wyndham Street.

Not Responsible for Debts.

NEITHER the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ANAPA, British Steamship, Captain Williamson—Standard Oil Co.

FOREST HALL, British Steamship, Captain P. A. Logan—Standard Oil Co.

JAPANESE AND AUSTRALIA.

The Proposed Removal of Restrictions.

In the House of Representatives, Melbourne, Mr Bruce Smith gave notice of the following series of motions for Thursday, December 8:—

1. That, in the opinion of this House and on the following grounds, the time has arrived for differentiating Japanese people from other Asiatic races, with whom they have been impliedly grouped under the Immigration Restriction Act of 1901, and for placing them in their relationship to the people of Australia upon the same footing of international amity as that which is now extended to all European peoples.

(a) Because they have placed themselves in the front rank of civilised nations, and already excelled many European peoples by the institution and extension throughout their country of a modern and liberal system of popular education, by the establishment of complete religious freedom, by the systematic and enlightened administration of justice, by the carrying out of an effective and humane system of prison discipline, and treatment, and by the establishment of responsible and trustworthy legations and Consulates throughout the civilised world, thus placing themselves in direct and close communication with all the most advanced and progressive communities.

(b) Because they have proved themselves to be one of the most progressive peoples that the world has known in the phenomenal rapidity with which they have developed from a condition of ancient and backward exclusiveness to one of modern and scientific civilisation, in their statesmanlike working of one of the most liberal and thoughtful of the world's written Constitutions, in their broad national conception of an 'open door' policy, in the scientific management of their nations finances, in the energetic but discriminating extension throughout their country of modern systems of railways, tramways, telephone, post-offices, and saving banks, in their enlightened recognition of the national advantages of private enterprise, in relation to agriculture, industrial pursuits, commerce and banking, and in the rapid growth of their population, revenue imports, exports, and shipping, and many departments of national progress.

(c) Because as a nation they have become the honored and trusted friend and ally of the British people, and, therefore, of the British Empire, and have fully vindicated their worthiness for that high position by their prowess in war and by their honorable observance of the highest principles of international law and usage.

(d) Because of their high national character, as evidenced by the following facts:—That they have been pronounced by *The Times* of England to be 'the first Oriental nation in history who has won for herself the confidence and respect of the European world, having gained that position by efforts such as no other race has ever attempted or even conceived,' that they have in the present war exhibited on every occasion of recurring victory educated restraint and moderated enthusiasm such as could only come from people of cultured feelings; that without parading or even professing to be guided by the Christian doctrine, their conduct in the treatment of their enemies has conformed to the highest standards of the greatest among Christain nations; that in the course of a prolonged and trying struggle for national existence against a powerful and determined enemy, they have displayed a degree of self-control and humanitarian consideration such as has never been surpassed in any previous struggle between civilised peoples, and that they have proved themselves to be one of the greatest and most humane colonising forces known to history.

(e) Because they have become one of the greatest naval and military Powers of the world, and have by their earnest study of the highest authorities and their discriminating emulation of the most modern practices, raised naval and military warfare to an unprecedented level of scietific perfection, and because they have, in all the foregoing respects, demonstrated their capacity for worthily co-operating with Great Britain and therefore with the Australian Commonwealth, as a branch of the British Empire, as great controlling influence for securing the peace of the Eastern Hemisphere.

(2) That in view of the foregoing facts, the Immigration Restriction Act of 1901 should be so amended as to admit of the question of the admission of the Japanese people to Australia being made the subject of diplomatic negotiation and mutual arrangement, subject to any proposed treaty being submitted to the approval of Parliament, or so as to admit of the Japanese language being included with those of European nations as the basis of an educational test of the rights of immigrants, thus to remove from the Japanese people the implied stigma of which they have justly compained of being grouped with other Asiatic races as 'prohibited immigrants.'

There were several bursts of laughter on the Opposition benches as the motion was being read.

The debate on the motion was adjourned.

Intimations

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1841.
AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS,

NOTICE.

WE Beg to Notify Customers that from 1st January, 1905, Separate Accounts will be rendered for Aerated Waters. An inclusive charge will be made for Waters and Bottles, and full credit will be allowed for empties when returned.

Orders for Aerated Waters should be addressed to
A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
Aerated Water Manufactory,
Des Vœux Road Central.

PRICE LIST:
$1.20 per dozen will be allowed for Aerated Water Bottles when returned in good condition.

	Per Doz.
Soda Water	$1.70
Soda Water in Bombay Bottles	1.80
Potash Seltzer and B.P. Soda	1.80
Lemonade	1.80
Tonic Water	1.80
Lithia Water	1.95
Ginger Ale...	1.95
Lemon Squash	1.95
Raspberryade	1.95
Stone Ginger Beer...	1.95

Hongkong, December 28, 1904. 2319

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

NOTICE

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Hongkong, December 28, 1904. 2320

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Raspberryade	1.95
Stone Ginger Beer	1.95

Hongkong, December 28, 1904. 2321

APPLY FOR

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN STORE'S LATEST PRICE LIST OF GROCERIES, etc., etc., etc.

Hongkong, 1, Wellington Street,
Kowloon, 63 & 64, Elgin Road.

Hongkong, September 17, 1904. 697

ZETLAND HOUSE.

SUPERIOR ACCOMMODATION.
(Opposite Connaught House).
No. 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
MODERATE CHARGES.

MRS WATLING, *Proprietress.*

Hongkong, July 27, 1904. 1374

THE 'WAVERLEY.'

NO. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
(Opposite the Post Office).

A First-class BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT. Large Airy Well-Furnished Rooms. Table d'Hote at Separate Tables. Cuisine under the direct supervision of the Proprietrix. Moderate Terms.

Hongkong, December 5, 1904. 2193

TANG YUEN.

BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.
Splendid View of Harbour.
No 18 MACDONNELL ROAD.
Under European Management.
Apply at the House,
or
At FAIRALL & CO.,
Opposite Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, June 10, 1903. 97

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

'KILLADOON,'

ON North Spur of MORRISON HILL 151, WANCHAI ROAD.—Light Airy and Well-furnished Double and Single Rooms with full view of the Harbour. With or without board.

For Terms, apply on the Premises, to
MRS G. S. WEBB.

Hongkong, July 20 1904. 133

CARMICHAEL AND CLARKE.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS,
SURVEYORS AND CONTRACTORS,
REPAIRS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

TELEGRAMS: 'CARMICHAEL,' HONGKONG.
A. B. C. Code, 4th Edition.
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Lieber's Standard Code
TELEPHONE, 252.

Hongkong, March 14, 1903. 563

Banks.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,
ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ...	Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP	,, 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED ...	,, 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND	,, 9,520,000

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On Current Account at the Rate of 2% per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months, 5% per annum.
On fixed deposits for 6 months, 4% per annum.
On fixed deposits for 3 months, 3% per annum.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 7, 1904. 589

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....	$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—	
Sterling Reserve, $10,000,000	
Silver Reserve ... 7,000,000	
	$17,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS	$10,000,000

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T. P. COCHRANE,
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SUBSCRIBED.....	£1,125,000
PAID UP.....	£ 562,500
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EVAN ORMISTON
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Hongkong, May 14, 1904. 234

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....	YEN 5,000,000.
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Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 216

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ARRIVALS.

January 16.

Palawan, British steamer, 2,995, J. D. Andrews, R.N.R., Yokohama January 2, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Zafiro, British str., 1,611, R. Rodger, Manila January 14, General. — SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Castor, Norwegian str., 747, J. Martin, Shanghai January 12, Petroleum.—GEO. MCBAIN.

Phu-yen, French str., 1,299, Ducroisset, Chinkiang Jan. 12, Ground-nuts, Beans and General.—BRADLEY & Co.

Taishan, Chinese steamer, 1,266, W. Jamieson, Shanghai Jan. 13, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Progress, German str., 687, F. Bremer, Chefoo Jan. 12, General. — SIEMSSEN & Co.

January 17.

Siberia, American steamer, 5,655, J. Tremaine Smith, San Francisco Dec. 17, and Shanghai Jan. 14, Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Rambler, British surveying-vessel, 835, Comdr. C. E. Monro, Manila Jan. 13.

Roon, German str., 5,043, G. Meiners, Yokohama and Shanghai Jan. 15, Mails and General. MELCHERS & Co.

Anping, Chinese steamer, 1,159, G. C. Blethen, Shanghai Jan. 14, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Chinkiang, British steamer, 1,229, T. Robertson, Chinkiang Jan. 12, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hellas, German steamer, 1,534, Rode, Chinkiang Jan. 13, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Fri, Norwegian str., 860, N. G. Andersen, Java Jan. 6, Sugar, Ground-nuts and Molasses.—AAGAARD, THORESEN & Co.

Hongkong, French str., 742, A. Suzzoni, Haiphong, via Pakhoi, Hoihow and Kwong-chow-wan Jan. 16, Rice and General.—A. R. MARTY.

Kwongsang, British str., from Canton.

Kwanglee, Chinese str., from Canton.

Hunan, British str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

January 16.

Alacrity, British despatch-vessel, for Amoy.

January 17.

Wosang, for Wuhu.
Tsintau, for Swatow.
Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Pakhoi, for Swatow.
Chunsang, for Shanghai.
Haiching, for Swatow.
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Croydon, for Singapore.
Lyeemoon, for Shanghai.
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Hailan, for Hoihow.
Himalaya, for Shanghai.
Hellas, for Canton.

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Kansu, for Hongay.
Triumph, for Swatow.
Kwongsang, for Swatow.
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Anping, for Canton.

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Per *Palawan*, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Messrs J. Ballinger, J. H. Prince, and W. S. Phillips; for Marseilles, Miss L. M. White, Dr Lucy H. Hoag, Mr and Mrs Dubuis and child; for London, Mrs J. W. John and 6 children, Mr and Mrs Lord, and Mr F. W. Addyman, R.N. For London, from Yokohama, Mrs A. F. Cahusac, Messrs G. Kay and H. C. B. Hudson; from Kobe, Mr Gillingham.

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Per *Siberia*, from San Francisco, &c., Mr Chas. L. Beatty, Mr H. M. Rideout, Lieut.-Comdr. G. W. McElroy, U.S.N., Mr Zera McGonnigal, Jr., Mr A. M. Timke, Miss Margaret Routledge, Capt. S. Amsbury, Mr T. D. McKay, Mrs Mason Stone, Mr and Mrs W. J. Van Buskirk, Mr and Mrs C. H. Lawson, Mr R. F. Alexander, Mr H. de Stampe, Mr and Mrs W. R. Johnson, Mr and Mrs C. D. McCann, Mrs M. Kingsley, Messrs K. Bramson, J. J. Connell, John F. Burns, E. Barnard, H. H. Stanley, W. J. Richardson, B. Bienenfield, and 314 Chinese.

Per *Anping*, from Shanghai, H.E. Tong Shiu Yi (Chinese High Commissioner for Tibet).

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Palawan* reports: From Shanghai moderate to fresh N.W'ly wind, with dull, rainy weather as far as Turnabout; from there to Hongkong, moderate N.E'ly wind, with fair weather.

The British steamer *Zafiro* reports: From Manila January 14th, light monsoon and smooth sea, fine clear weather throughout.

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Per *Hankow*, at 7.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 17th January.

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Per *Borneo*, at 8 a.m., on Wednesday, the 18th January.

For WUHU.—
Per *Foochow*, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 18th January.

For MACAO.—
Per *Heungshan*, at 1.45 p.m., on Wednesday, the 18th January.

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Per *Namsang*, at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, the 18th January.

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Per *Hopsang*, at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, the 18th January.

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For KONGMOON, KUMCHUK, SAMSHUI, SHIUHING, TAKHING & WUCHOW.—
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For KONGMOON & KUMCHUK.—
Per *Hongkong*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 18th January.

For BANGKOK.—
Per *Petchaburi*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 19th January.

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Per *Tjipanas*, 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 19th January.

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Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard

Section.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessels' Names.	Anchorage	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Agincourt	....	Worsnop	British str.	2876	Oct. 3	Gilman & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Anapa	3 c	Williamson	British str.	2251	Jan. 5	Standard Oil Co.		
An Pho	3 c	Kynoch	British str.	966	Jan. 15	Chinese	Hoihow & Haiphong	Jan. 19.
Apenrade	3 c	Draguhn	Ger. str.	611	Jan. 15	Jebsen & Co.		
Ascot	3 c	Cox	British str.	2785	Dec. 28	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Borneo	k w	Muhle	Ger. str.	1001	Jan. 7	Melchers & Co.	Sandakan	Jan. 18.
Burma	3 c	Valentin	British str.	1974	Jan. 9	Order		
Castor	2 c	Martin	Norw. str.	747	Jan. 16	Geo. McBian		
Chihli	9 c	Hooker	British str.	1124	Jan. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Chi Yuen	2 h	Stewart	Chi. str.	1211	Jan. 13	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Confidenza	3 c	Lico	Ital. str.	1498	Jan. 16	Java-China-Japan Lijn.		
Decima	3 c	Schlaikier	Ger. str.	965	Jan. 16	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Swatow & Anping	Jan. 18.
Devawongse	3 c	Gorken	Ger. str.	1057	Jan. 11	Melchers & Co.		
Dunearn	3 c	Graham	British str.	2020	Jan. 15	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Esriy	8 c	Horsefield	British str.	1944	Jan. 3	Bradley & Co.		
Foochow	3 c	Smalo	British str.	1928	Jan. 11	Butterfield & Swire		
Fri	3 c	Andersen	Norw. str.	860	Jan. 17	Order		
Forrest Hall	2 c	Logan	British str.	1991	Jan. 14	Standard Oil Co.		
Germania	3 c	Bruhn	Ger. str.	1714	Jan. 14	Jebsen & Co.		
Hector	5 c	Edmondson	British str.	3005	Jan. 16	Butterfield & Swire		
Himalaya	3 c	Margins	French str.	3664	Jan. 16	Messageries Maritimes		
Hinsang	9 c	Sawer	British str.	1537	Jan. 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hopsang	8 c	Hay	British str.	1359	Jan. 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Ille...	..	Godinau	French str.	705	Nov. 27	A. R. Marty	....	K'loon Dock
Indravelli	..	Cullington	British str.	125	Nov. 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Jacob Diederichsen	..	Ohlsen	Ger. str.	623	Jan. 8	Jebsen & Co.		
Kalibia	8 c	Walker	British str.	3149	Jan. 10	Bradley & Co.		
Katharine Park	8 c	Copp	British str.	3075	Jan. 12	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
K...	3 c	Stehr	Ger. str.	1487	Jan. 15	Siemssen & Co.		
Kwang Lee	3 c	Lincoln	Chi. str.	1407	Jan. 17	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kwongsang	3 c	Christie	British str.	1427	Jan. 17	Jardine Matheson & Co.		
Lightning	4 c	Spence	British str.	2122	Jan. 16	David Sassoon & Co., Ld.		
Loongships	8 c	Clucas	British str.	2842	Jan. 13	Bradley & Co.		
Lydia	3 c	Ernst	Ger. str.	1771	Jan. 13	Siemssen & Co.		
Macquarie	8 c	George	British str.	1211	Jan. 14	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
M... Jebsen	..	Lorenzen	Ger. str.	1771	Jan. 12	Jeffries & Co.	....	A'deen Dock
Namsang	4 c	Payne	British str.	2591	Jan. 10	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore & Calcutta	Jan. 18.
Ningpo	3 c	Eddy	British str.	1206	Jan. 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Oscar II	8 c	..lsen	Norw. str.	2000	Jan. 15	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Orange	3 c	Dannevig	Norw. str.	1744	Jan. 14	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Palawan	4 c	Andrews	British str.	2995	Jan. 16	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Petchaburi	3 c	Hillmann	Ger. str.	1189	Jan. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok	Jan. 19.
Petrarch	3 c	Ahrens	Ger. str.	1252	Jan. 8	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Phu-yen	3 c	Ducroisset	French str.	1298	Jan. 16	Bradley & Co.		
Powderham	3 c	Toms	British str.	2457	Jan. 9	Order		
Progress	3 c	Bremer	Ger. str.	687	Jan. 16	Siemssen & Co.		
Proteus	3 c	Möller	Norw. str.	1024	Jan. 3	Chinese		
Roon	1 c	Meiners	Ger. str.	5043	Jan. 17	Melchers & Co.	Europe, &c.	Jan. 18.
Scotsman	3 c	Mackenzie	British str.	1664	Dec. 16	Order		
Shahzada	3 c	Martin	British str.	1393	Jan. 4	Chinese		
Siberia	3 c	Smith	Amer. str.	5656	Jan. 17	P. M. S. S. Co.	S'hai & San F'cisco	Jan. 24.
Sikh	..	Rowley	British str.	3216	Jan. 12	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	....	Cos'tan Dock
Stanley Dollar	3 c	Bruce	British str.	1857	Jan. 3	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Swanley	3 c	Sheldrake	British str.	2980	Jan. 10	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Taishan	3 c	Jones	British str.	1122	Jan. 14	Bradley & Co.		
Taming	3 c	Pennefather	British str.	1360	Jan. 13	Butterfield & Swire	Manila	Jan. 17.
Tartar	3 c	Evans	British str.	2768	Jan. 12	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Jan. 25.
Themis	7 c	Thomassen	Norw. str.	1208	Jan. 7	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Triumph	3 c	Hansen	Ger. str.	769	Jan. 14	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Swatow & Foochow	Jan. 18.
Tsinan	4 c	Brown	British str.	1460	Jan. 15	Butterfield & Swire	Kobe & Yokohama	Jan. 19.
Volute	3 c	Holliday	British str.	2599	Jan. 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Zafiro	5 c	Rodger	British str.	1511	Jan. 16	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	Jan. 21.
Sailing Vessels.								
Geo. T. Hay	2 c	Spicer	British sh.	3...	Dec. 21	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

[SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER].

Heathglen, December 9; *Spezia*, *Thode*, *Fågelund*, *Manila*, 13; *Andalusia*, *Machaon*, *Salazie*, 16; *Quinta*, 20: *Alesia*, *Idomeneus*, *Kaisow*; *Machaon*, *Radnorshire*, *Heathburn*, 23; *Albenga*, *Boralong*, *Benvoirlich*, *Formosa*, *Jason*, *Zieten*, *Easby Abbey*, 27; *Pera*, *Preussen*, *Albenga*, *Prometheus*, *Romulus*, 30; *Benalder*, *Pakling*, *Polynesien*, *Glenfarg*, *Falladon Hall*, *Macduff*, January 3; *Ceylon*, *Stentor*, *Baron*, *Dalmeny*, *Egremont*, *Shuntien*, *Valetta*, 6; *Benledi*, *Charente*, *Indravadi*, *Jason*, *Kennebec*, *Merionethshire*, *Telemachus*, *Ithaka*, *Knight of St. George*, *Rhenania*, *Sandhurst*, 10; *Caledonien*, *Japan*, *Segovia*, *Patroclus*, *Swiri*, 13.

Mails.

The O. & O. Co.'s s.s. GAELIC, with mails, &c., left Manila on Monday, the 16th January, at noon, and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 18th January, at about noon.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. EMPRESS OF INDIA left Shanghai on Sunday, the 15th January, at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 18th January, at 8 a.m.

Steamers Expected.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. ATHENIAN left Yokohama on Sunday morning, the 8th January, for Victoria and Vancouver.

The Java-China-Japan-Lijn steamer TJIPANAS left Karatzu for this port on the 4th January, and may be expected here on or about the 16th Jan.

The O. S. K. s.s. M. STRUVE, from Tamsui, via Swatow and Amoy, may be expected here on the 18th January.

The O. S. S. Co's s.s. IDOMENEUS left Singapore on the afternoon of 13th January for this port via Saigon, and is expected to arrive here on the 21st January.

The s.s. PERSIA left Singapore for this port on the 14th January, p.m.

The P. & A. steamer NUMANTIA, sailed from Portland, Ore., on the 18th Dec., via Japan ports, and may be expected here on the 20th January, 1905.

The Indo-China S. N. Co. Ld.'s s.s. SUISANG left Calcutta, for this port via The Straits, on 8th January, and may be expected here on or about the 25th January.

The s.s. SAINT FILLIANS sailed from Singapore on the 10th January, for this port, via Manila.

The P. & A. steamer ARABIA sailed from Portland, Ore., on the 5th January, via Japan ports, and may be expected here on the 8th February.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s s.s. LYRA sailed from Kobe on the 12th January.

The s.s. GERMANICUS arrived at Yokohama on the 9th January.

The O. S. K. s.s. FRITHJOF, from Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy, may be expected here on the 25th January.

The O. S. K. s.s. TRIUMPH, from Foochow, via Swatow and Amoy, may be expected here on the 25th January.

Latest Advices.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. EMPRESS OF CHINA arrived at Nagasaki at 11 a.m., on Monday, the 16th January, and left again at 6 a.m., Tuesday, for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m., on Wednesday, the 18th January.

The s.s. DECIMA will leave here for Swatow, Amoy, and Anping on Wednesday, the 18th January, at 7 a.m.

The s.s. ST FILLANS, arrived at Manila on 16th January on her way to this port.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. MONGOLIA, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 28th ult., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port via (Inland Sea), Kobe Nagasaki, and Shanghai on the morning of the 19th January, and is due in Hongkong on the 26th January.

The s.s. KUMSANG left Calcutta for this port via The Straits on 14th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 31st Jan.

EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, January 17, 1905.

On London—
Bank, Wire, ... 1/11⅛
" On demand, ... 1/11 3/16
" 30 days' sight, ... 1/11⅜
" 4 months' sight, ... 1/11¾
Credits, 4 " " 1/11⅞
Documentary, 4 months' sight, ... 2/-

On Paris—
On demand, ... 246½
Credits, 4 months' sight, ... 250

On Berlin—
On Demand, ... 200½

On New York—
On demand, ... 47⅞
Credits, 60 days' sight, ... 48⅝

On Bombay—
Wire, ... 146
On demand, ... 146¼

On Calcutta—
Wire, ... 146
On demand, ... 146¼

On Singapore—
On demand, ... 1% pm.

On Manila—
On demand, Pesos. 95⅝

On Shanghai—
On demand, ... 71⅝
30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 72¼

On Yokohama—
On demand, ... 96½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael) ... $53.60
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ... $10.10
Silver (per oz.) 27 11/16

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.10	30.21	30.11
Temperature	65	66	66
Humidity	80	78	78
Direction of Wind	E	E	E
Force	3	3	2
Weather	b	c	c
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 15th.... 68
Lowest open air temperature on the 15th.... 63

J. I. PLUMMER, *Chief Assistant.*
Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 16th, 1905.

Temperature.

HONGKONG, January 17, 1905.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M. ...	30.08
Do.	1 P.M. ...	30.01
Do.	4 P.M. ...	29.98
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M. ...	67
Do.	1 P.M. ...	69
Do.	4 P.M. ...	70
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.	64
Do. Do.	1 P.M.	65
Do. Do.	4 P.M.	65
Do. Maximum	...	71
Do. Minimum over night		65

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS — *At Kowloon*, U.S.S. Seward, Hué, Indravelli, Taintan, Agincourt, Jacob Diederichsen, Powan, Shunlee, H.M.S. Sandpiper, Daphne, Tartar.
Cosmopolitan.—Ascot.
Aberdeen.—Marie Jebsen.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

16th January.—AT 4 P.M.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.
Vl'ostock	2 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	,,	29.41	—	—	W	4	—
Hakodate	,,	29.81	—	—	SW	2	—
Tokio	,,	29.86	—	—	N	4	—
Kochi	,,	29.91	—	—	W	0	—
Nagasaki	,,	30.11	—	—	NW	8	—
Kagoshima	,,	30.07	—	—	NW	2	—
Oshima	,,	30.12	—	—	N	4	—
Naha	,,	30. 3	—	—	NW	4	—
Ishi'jima	,,	30.09	—	—	NE	6	—
Taihoku	1 p.	30.08	—	—	NE	6	—
Taichu	,,	30.14	—	—	S	2	—
Tainan	,,	30.11	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun	,,	30.10	—	—	N	2	—
Pescadores	,,	30.12	—	—	N	6	—
Weihaiwei	3 p.						
Gutzlaff	,,	30.18	51	79	E	2	cv
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.12	60	88	ESE	2	c
Amoy	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Swatow	,,	30.13	65	78	SE	2	c
Canton	,,	30.08	74	68	SE	2	b
Hongkong	4 p.	30.11	66	78	E	2	c
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	SE	2	—
Gap Rock	,,	30.08	—	—	ENE	4	—
Macao	,,	30.07	67	—	SE	—	c
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.96	84	71	SE	5	b
Bacolod	3 p.	—	—	—	N	5	c
Iloilo	,,	29.91	84	—	NE	5	c
Cebu	,,	29.91	82	—	N	2	b
C. S. James	4 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—

17th January.—AT 10 A.M.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.
Vl'ostock	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.	29.84	—	—	—	0	—
Hakodate	,,	29.85	—	—	—	0	—
Tokio	,,	29.94	—	—	W	4	—
Kochi	,,	30.07	—	—	N	2	—
Nagasaki	,,	30.19	—	—	—	0	—
Kagoshima	,,	30.19	—	—	N	4	—
Oshima	,,	30.16	—	—	S	2	—
Naha	,,	30. 7	—	—	NE	2	—
Ishi'jima	,,	30.21	—	—	E	4	—
Taihoku	5 a.	30.12	—	—	—	0	—
Taichu	,,	30.12	—	—	—	0	—
Tainan	,,	30.14	—	—	N	2	—
Koshun	,,	30.09	—	—	—	0	—
Pescadores	,,	30.12	—	—	—	0	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.						
Gutzlaff	,,	30.12	52	100	ESE	3	cv
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.16	60	88	—	0	o
Amoy	6 a.	30.06	59	88	SE	1	o
Swatow	9 a.	30.13	59	94	NNE	1	o
Canton	,,	30.15	65	84	E	2	b
Hongkong	10 a.	30.16	65	85	E	2	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	SE	2	—
Gap Rock	,,	30.13	—	—	ESE	2	—
Macao	,,	30.14	68	—	—	0	c
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bacolod	9 a.	—	—	—	NE	2	b
Iloilo	,,	30.00	79	—	ENE	3	b
Cebu	,,	29.98	81	—	N	2	b
C. S. James	10 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—

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Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 17, 1905.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths, and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER: b blue sky, c detached clouds, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squalls, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).
7. RAIN in inches, tenths and hundredths.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports	Empire (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Feb. 8, at Noon.
Amoy, Straits, R'goon	Pandua (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 25, Daylight.
Am'dam, L'don, A'erp	Hyson (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 22.
Am'dam, L'don, A'erp	Priam (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 31.
Am'dam, L'don, A'erp	Glaucus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 14.
Cebu & Iloilo	Sungkiang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 24.
Genoa, Mars., L'pool	Hector (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 19.
Genoa, Mars., L'pool	Ajax (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 20.
Java Ports	Tjilatjap (s)	Java-China-Japan Lijn	2nd half of Feb.
Java Ports	Tjipanas (s)	Java-China-Japan Lijn	About Jan. 19.
Japan via Shanghai	Tjimahi (s)	Java-China-Japan Lijn	1st half of Feb.
London, &c.	Coromandel (s)	O. & O. S.S. Co.	Jan. 28, at Noon.
Marseilles, London &c.	Palawan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 18.
Marseilles via Saigon	Australien (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Jan. 24, at 1 p.m.
Manila, A'lian Ports	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 23.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 21, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 28, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Tean (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 24.
NewYork v. Suez Canal	Chazee (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Jan. 25.
NewYork v. Suez Canal	Satsuma (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Feb. 10.
NewYork v. Suez Canal	Ras Issa (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	January 30.
New York	Seneca (s)	Standard Oil Co.	About Jan. 29.
San Francisco v. Japan	Siberia (s)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Jan. 24, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Mongolia (s)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb. 3, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Mongolia (s)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Feb 17, at Noon.
Shanghai	Chusan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 28.
Shanghai	Hunan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 18.
Shanghai	Tientsin (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 19.
S'pore, P'ang Calcutta	Lightning (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Jan. 24, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, P'ang, C'bo, &c.	China (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	January 28, p.m.
S'hai, Y'ham & Kobe	Persia (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	January 23, p.m.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Numantia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	Jan. 23, Daylight.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Arabia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	Feb. 13, Daylight.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Aragonia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	March 5.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Triumph (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Jan. 18, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	M. Struve (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Jan. 22, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Frithjof (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Jan. 29, Daylight.
Swatow	Haiching (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Jan. 21, at 2 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tydeus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 27.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Jan. 19.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Lyra (s)	Dodwell & Co. Ld.	About Feb. 9.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Pleiades (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Mar. 4.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Tartar (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	January 25.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	February 8.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	March 8.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Iyo Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Jan. 27, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama & Kobe	Tsinan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 19.
Y'ma, S'hai, Moji, Kobe	Formosa (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 24.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

January 17, 1905.

Stocks.	No. of Shares	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$125	all	$715, buyers London, £74
National Bank of China, Limited	19,970	£10	£8	$38, sales
	29,955	£10	£8	$38, sales
Do. Founders' shares	750	£1	£1	$10
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$250, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$83.33	$25	$58, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 95, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$250	$100	$690, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$100	$60	$150, buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$100	20	$91, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$250	50	$340, buyers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ld.	50,000	$50	all	$217, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	$25	$25	$45, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	$6¼	$6¼	$27, sellers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 150
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co. Ld.	30,000	$50	$50	$23, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$50	all	$23½, sales & buyers
HK, C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld	50,000	$15	$15	$27, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	80,000	£10	all	$124, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000	$10	$10	$38, sellers
	10,000	$10	$5	$29, sellers
Shell Transport & Trading Co. Ltd.	2,000,000	£1	£1	25/- buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ld.	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 30, sellers
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 50, sales
do. Preference.	100,000			Tls. 48, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$100	all	$219, sales
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$100	all	$17, buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld	7,000	Tls. 50	T. 50	Tls. 60, sellers
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$50	all	$104½, old
	10,000			$102, new
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 127½, sales
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$100	100	$146, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ld.	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 117, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$50	30	$38½
Weihaiwei Land & Building Co., Ld.	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 12, buyers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	$10	all	$12½, buyers
	50,000	$10	$10	$11½
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$50	$50	$59, sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
HK High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$100	all	$265
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$490
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	900,000	£1	18/10	$3¼, sales & buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	$50	all	$142, sellers
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin)	2,000	T. Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150, sellers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	$25	$25	$27, sales
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	80,000	$10	$10	$13, sellers
do.	30,000			$12, buyers
Watkins Limited	10,000	$10	$10	$9, sellers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£10	all	$160, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 105, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	20,000	$10	$10	$15, buyers
New Electrics (new issue)	30,000	$10	$5	$9, buyers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	50,000	$10	$10	$29, sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	8,604	£12/6	£12/6	$5½
		$10	$4	$9¼
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	Ordinary	$10	10	$180
	100 Mem.			
Hk. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,500	$10	$10	$20, sellers
	7,500	$7½	$6	$12, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	25,000	$25	all	$255, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	£20	£20	Tls. 400, buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	$50	all	$155
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld	10,000	$10	$10	$13, sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld	[illegible]			
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 25
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 20
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 150, sellers
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co. Ld.	50,000	$10	$10	$9¾, sales & sellers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	$12	$12	$13½, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$10	all	$40, sellers
Wm. Powell, Ld.	12,000	$10	$10	$12½, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co. Ld.	1,200	$50	$50	$50
South China Morning Post	6,000	$25	$25	$22, buyers
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Ld.	67,500	$10	$10	$9½, sellers
Alhambra Limited	300	$500	$500	$100, buyers

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886 £	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Par.

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